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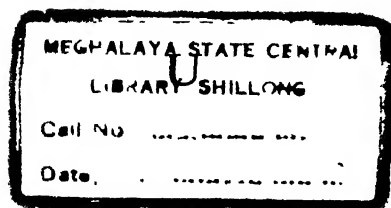
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U KHASI HYNDAL U ONG BA KI KHYNDAL HA JONG  
DEI KI HYNMEN BAD KI HYNNEW HA TBIAN DEI KI  
PARA. BAROH NGI DEI KI HYNNEW HA TBIAN.

R. M. Roy.

—X—

HABA NGI LONG KI JONG U BLEI TRAI KYNRAD U  
NONGTHAW U NONGBUH UBA TANG MARWEI HI,  
TE NGI NE PHI LAH BAN NGEIT BA KUM MA U NE KAT  
MA U, BA UN IEIT SHILIANG?

Jeebon Roy.

—X—

HABA PHI DA PYRKHAT JYLLIEW BHA LOK PARA RI  
LUM RI WAR, RI BHOI, BA MAN LA KA HIMA, MAN  
LA KA SHNONG, MAN LA KA IING, MAN U BRIEW,  
KA BRIEW KI TIP BAD KI SNGEW BA DON HI LA U JONG  
U BLEI BA THAW U TRAI YM LONG U RIEWNONGWEI  
TE DONKAM AIU BA NGIN DA IEIT PDIANG BLEI NONG-  
WEI PAT, BAD PYNBIEIT IA LA KA LONG RYNIENG.  
KUMBA KI JU KREN HAPDENG KI KHASI, 'NANG KYN-  
THUP LA I KHUN HA LA KA SHADEM, TE NGAN WAD  
KYLLENG HAEI PA HAEI I KHUN JONG NGA, KUMBA  
BIEIT PYNBAN'.

Jeebon Roy.

—X—

SHI KHRUM KA BNENG — U PAID BYLLIEN,  
SHI SNIEH PYRTHEI — KAWEI KA KTIEN:  
PYLLUN KA RI — KAJUH KA NIAM;  
BAN PAW HA RONG — SHI RONG KA RIAM;  
HANGNO KA PYRTHEI DON RITI,  
BA KUM KA JONG KA RI JONG NGI.

Soso Tham.

—X—

LA PUN LA KHA IA NGI DA KA JINGKRYKHU U BLEI  
NONGTHAW NONGBUH, BAD NGI LA WAN SHA KANE  
KA PYRTHEI BAN KAMAI IA KA HOK. KA NIAM KHASI  
KA LONG KA NIAM-TIP-BRIEW-TIP-BLEI, TIP-KUR-TIP-  
KHA, KHIEN-KUR-KHEIN-KHA BA LA SENG BA LA  
BUH U LONGSHUWA MANSHUWA U KHUN KHASI.

—X—







U RASH MOHON ROY

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## LAMPHRANG.

Nga la thoh ia kane ka kot shaphang ki por bad ki kam u Rangbah Rash Mohon Roy, uba baroh ngi ithuh bad ngi tip kum i Bah Red, ba kan long ka jingsah jingkynmaw burom ia uwei na ki Rangbah Khasi uba la sei lut, boi bad mynsiem ban iada ia ki hok, ki riti bad ki dustur u khun Khasi ha ka synshar khadar ha ki por ba wan tyллеp ki mynder shipor; uba la pynlut ia la ka rta jing-im na ka bynta ban pynneh bad pynsah ia ka Niam, ia ki jingsneng, ia ka shad ka kmen, ia ka put ka tem, ia ka rukom iaid rukom kren ha iing ne shabar, kumba la sdang, la buh bad la pynbiang u longshuwa manshuwa jong ngi ki khun Khasi; u briew uba da ieit thep mynsiem ia ka jingkordor ka jingnang jingtip lyngba ki skul bad ka jingkordor ka jingstad jingshemphang da kaba tei ia kata ka jingnang jingtip halor ki nongrim ka jinglong jaid-bynriew lajong.

Ki Phareng, haba ki wan kiew sha kine ki lum, ki wan da ka jingthmu ban klun lut ia kine ki rilum Khasi bad Synteng kumba ki leh shapoh rithor. Ki sdang da kaba leh man leh kumba ialong paralok parajor, hynrei tang shu ioh bsuh ia ki kjat ki 'a pyndon-kam da ki buit sianti jong ki ban ioh daw ban pynkylla ri-kliair-wait ia ka Ri Khasi bad Synteng Haba kim lah da ka waitlam ki la iateh noh da ki kular; nangta pat ki tang shu ioh rung hapoh kut ki sdang da ki buit laiphew jait ban pynkylla saikhum saiteh ia ki kular. Ia ki Tehkular ki pynkylla Sanad bad da ka leh pyni bor ki la pynrung hapoh ki Sanad, lyngba ki Syiem, bun ki jing-teh jingkhum ia ki hima Khasi ki bam pat ju don hapoh ki kular rim. Ban pynjem ia ka jingskhem u Khasi ha la ka niam, kaba long ka tynrai jong ka jaidbynriew bad kaba tehsong bad pynia-tylli ha ka im lang sah lang, ka kam shnong kam thaw, ka sain raid sain hima, ka synshar ka khadar, ka leh kmen leh sngewbha bad ter ter, ki la wan ialam da ka Welsh Calvinistic Mission—ka Mission kaba wan na ka bynta ka Ri Bilat kaba sah dum eh bad kaba khim jingmut palat ha ka jingialap niam.

Da ka jinglyngngoh ki shem ba hangne la don lupa ka synshar da u khun u hajar, ki dorbar Hima, ki ain ki kanun kiba la biang lupa bad ha khep ha khep kiba kham biang bad kham palat ha ka lapphang shamphang ban ia ki rukom jong ki sha ri sepgi:

“The administration of the country by the traditional elected Councils, and the conduct of business by such councils were such that Captain White (Assistant to Mr. David Scott)

said that he was amazed at the order, decorum and propriety with which the debate was conducted for two days and admitted that he had not seen those surpassed in any European Society.”<sup>1</sup>

Kim banse ban iohi iaroh ia kitei ki jinglong ki Khasi, hynrei ka mynsiem bad ka jingthmu pynneh hima jong ki ka iai pynshoi ia ki ban dem wad lad ban kyntiew ia lade sha ka kyrdan nongjop. Ki la lah ban khlieng bad ban khleng lut ia ka jabieng pyrkhat Khasi na kiba bun, bad ban bsut da ki jingpyrkhat khyllah bad khongpong. Kita ki la kylla long ki 'niangkohnguh jong ki Phareng bad ki la long ki nongkyrshan ia ki jingleh bedustur beriti jong ki—ki la leh isih, kren bein bad kyntait ia jan baroh kiei kiei kiba dei ki jong u Khasi bad ki la sdang khein sting ruh wat ia ka khein kur khein kha ha ka poi kha poi man.

Ha kane ka jingthoh phin shem ba haduh katno ka policy jong ki Phareng ka trei kam bad haduh katno ba ki jong i Bah Red ki ia leh ban da ban dup ia la ka jaidbynriew. Ha man ki kam ki Kristan ki ieng kum ka stieh ba da ia ka Sorkar Phareng. La ha ki kam Hima sima kum ha ka “Thma Sohra”, ne ha ki kam niam, ne ha ki kam ka Seng Khasi, ne ha ki kam shad kam kmen bad rong biria kine ki Kristan ki wan kum ki nongpynwit bad ki maw-jynthut. Sa ha ki kam skul ruh kine hi ki kyllaniam bad ki Sahep Phajri jong ki ki pynwit bad ki khang lad ia ki Khasi ban iaid shaphrang da la ki kjat bad ban pynsan pynrangbah shuh shuh ia la ka jaidbynriew da kaba bud ia ki lynti bad ki mawpun mawjam ba la buh lupa u fii u kong.

Ka jingtrei shitom i Bah Red bad kiba ia don lang bad i, ka jingpruid bad jingpyni lynti jong u Babu Jeebon Roy, ka jingnud ban kren pynrem pyrshah phlak ia ka Sorkar Phareng bad ia ki Kristan-khim-jingmut da u Sib Charan Roy ki long ki jingkyrkhu ia ka ri ba haduh mynta ka jaidbynriew Khasi ka dang sah kum ka jaidbynriew kaba pher bad kaba kyrpang ha ka pyrthei.

Kine kiba dang khie dang san mynta kiba la lait na ka bih biah phongrai ki dohlieh na sha ri sepngi, kim tap matlah shuh ia la ki khmat, kim pdiang kyllut shuh ia kaba ong bad thoh ki dohlieh, hynrei ki la phai bad buddien ban lap biang ia ki tynrai ka jaidbynriew lajong bad ki moin ki manik kiba don ha ka. Ki la nngewthuh ruh ba ym don jaka ban ieng skhem lada ym don

1. Lahiri, R. M.—“The Annexation of Assam -sec. 3 (The Khasi Insurrection), p. 74- (1975),

(iii)

jingieit ia la ka jong. Ki la pyrshang ruh ban pli sniehsop da ka jong kiwei hynrei ka lajong te ka lajong. Bad kumba thoh i Bah Red:

“Ki Si Kyrtong kim ju pah bo,  
Wei rem iatur, ki shu phet mo,  
Ban kylla dab ki Si Kyrtong,  
Khein burom baroh ka shnong.

Wei la kylla jaid shawei,  
Ka kam biang kumba dei;  
Ia sang ia ma la leh madei,  
La kur la kha shu kren khar-ei.

Khun Khasi ba pher nadong shadong,  
Kharlieh Khariong kim lah long;  
Khein kur khein kha kam iadei,  
Nadong shadong shu leh madei.”<sup>2</sup>

Nga kyrmen ba kane ka jingthoh jong nga shaphang i Bah Red kan dang pynsyaid mynsiem bad pynshit rhem shuh shuh ia ki para Khasi-niam-tyurai ba kin iaineh kum ki nongphira, nongsharai, nongpynim bad nongpynsan-pynneh ia la ka niam bad la ka jaidbynriew. Nga kyrmen ruh ba ki para Khasi kiba leit bud noh ia ki niam nongwei kin da thew da khiar ia kaba dei bad ka bam dei. Nga kyrmen ba kin nym shu long mutlop kum kiba mynshuwa, kiba, ha ka shah ai ksuid bad ka jingshahkemjadu ha u mynder shipor, ki la shu khalah lut shabar ia la ki rukom lajong haduh ba shipor ki la thap ngat ruh ha ka pynshoi ban pyn-duh syndon ia la ka jaidbynriew thiaw. Nga kyrmen ba kin iai neh ha ka wad bad ka buddien biang ia ki thied bad ki tynrai, ym ban ioh daw ioh dong ban ioh kynnoh sniew ia la ka jong, hynrei ban shem ia ki ksiar ki paila bad ki mawkordor kiba don ha ka ban pyndeng pynkieng, da biang ka kup ka sem, ia ka jaidbynriew lajong, ba kan paw pyrmai biang, donnam donburom, donsot donblei.

Nga kyrmen ruh ba kane ka jingthoh kan kyrsiew bad pynkynditbynriew ia ki Khasi (Khasi bad Synteng) ba kin ym shu ia pyrta shla, “Ban neh ki hok, ki riti, ki dustur”, khlem sogewthuh, hynrei ba kin da ia wad thikna shaphang jong ki bad ban pynbiang pynbha biang ia ki ba kan neh ka nam ka kyrteung u hynniew skum u hynniew trep.

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2. Roy, R. M.—Ka Jingrwai Shad Suk Mynsiem (4. 4. 27).



## I. KA SYNSHAR KHASI BAD KA JINGWAN KI PHARENG.

“U Khasi Hyndai u long uba bat tang ia ka Hok.....Lano lano lane mynno mynno ruh u Khasi Hyndai um ju leh ia kaei kaei khlem da ia mynjur lang ha ka Durbar pyllun ka jong u para kur u para kha lane u para shnong u para thaw ba ia shong ryngkat ha ka muluk ka jaka.”<sup>3</sup>

U Khasi u da tai bin shi bin shuwa ba un leh ia kano kano ka kam, khamtam lei ha ki kam shnong kam thaw, kam synshar khadar, kam hima sima. Haba la shong dorbar lada ym lah ia beit, ki da shong da ki sngi ki taiew haduh ban da lah pynbiang ia ka kam.

Ki Bakhraw ki dei ki nongseng raid nongseng hima, bad kim dei kiba thung ki khun ki hajar ne ki syiem. Ia u syiem ym ju thung napdeng ki bakhraw hi, hynrei na u wei u ar wat lada dei uba rit jaid ruh. Wat da u mraw ne u khar Hindu ne Musulman ba ki wan ring na shapoh rithor ruh ki ju pynlong syiem. Ki jaid syiem kim shym long kiba kor ne kiba khraw. Kane ka long ka nongrim ka seng hima u Khasi ha man ki hima ha ki por hyndai.

“U jait baheh jait bakhraw um treh ban long Syiem, namar badei ka kam Syiem kaba dei ban shimti ia ka Nar ka Bili, ia u sai khum u saiteh, ban shimti ia ka kamai ka kajih ka jong u iapduh u iaptan, ban shimti ia ka tangon ka lymban, ban ai saja ia u dakait u runar, u nongtuh u nongshohnoh.”

“Tang kata ka jait Syiem bad tang u Syiem kiba lah ban shimti ia kine ki kam.”

Ki Phareng ki khlem pat sngewthuh ia ka kyrdan jong u Syiem Khasi ha ki Hima. Ki shu shim ba u long hi kum ki syiem khariong syiem kharlieh. Ha ki jingiakren ia pynbeit ruh ki iaid lait ia ki Bakhraw bad ka Dorbar. Hynrei wat la katta ruh u Syiem Tirot, kat kumba paw na ka Agreement ai shna lynti<sup>4</sup> u da ioh ia ka jingmynjur jong ka Dorbor ki Bakhraw bad ki tymmen ki san ka Hima Khadsawphra.

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3. Roy, R.M. — U Khasi Hyndai, p. vii.

4. *ibid* (3), p. iii.

5. Aitchison, C.E. — A Collection of Treaties Engagement and Sanads, vol. I, Pt. II No. LXXXIV. pp 241, 242.

Halor katei ka jingiatehkular ha ka snem 1826, u David Scott jong ka Sorkar Phareng u la wan sha kine ki lum Khasi. U la wan da ka jingman leh ieit bad leh kwah long paralok, hynrei u dei u phniang ka jingpyntroin ia ka jaidbynriew Khasi. Shisien ba u la ioh bsuh ia ki nongbud bad ki nongsynran jong u hapoh Ri Khasi ki la wan boi bad wan roi ban kyuroi pynpra ia ki nongrim tynrai u Hynniew Trep.

Ha ka snem 1829 u David Scott u la phet iap da u kulai na Nongkhlaw. U la lait im da ka said — da kaba shu ber tyngka pliah ha lynter lynti naduh Nongkhlaw haduh ba un da poi ha Mawphlang. Ki NongMawphlang ki wan ialam ia u sha Sohram bad ki la pynrieh ia u ha kawei ka sem shlem sain nar. Nangne u Dewan Jaid Nongrum, u Lyngdoh Swer, bad ki brierw jong u na Laitryngew ki la wan ialam ia u sha iing u Syiem Dewan Sing jong ka Hima Sohra<sup>6</sup> uba la tymmen bha bad uba la matlah. Namar ba ym don shuki, ki la pynshong ia u David Scott halor u thlong ba la siang da ka bonat saw. Shimiet shimiet ki la leit pynrieh ia u shapoh riat Rangpungpa ban pyllait im ia u na ka jingthwiat ki nong Khadsawphra.<sup>6</sup> U Syiem Dewan u la matlah, u la tymmen bad u la jan iap. U Suba Sing, u pyrsa jong u u la pyniaid ia ka hima na ka bynta jong u, bad kum u nongmihkhmat jong u Syiem Tymmen.

Ki Phareng ynda ki la ia dei kam ki la sngewthuh ia ki rukom synshar hapoh Ri Khasi. Ki shem ba ha ki kam hima sima dei ki Bakhrav bad ki tymmen ki san kiba bat ia ka synshar; bad ba, ha ka jingshisha, u syiem u dei tang ban sngap bad ban pyn-treikam ia ki rai bad ki hukum ka Dorbar. Ki Phareng ki la wan khnang da ka jingthmu ban pyniar hima bad haba ki la shem ba kim lah ban jop da ka thma ki la iateh noh da ki kular tang ban ioh rung hapoh ri. Tang shu la ioh rung ki la bsuh ia u phniang pyrkhath khyllah u mynder u ban pynthroin bad pynpra ia ka synshar Khasi. Ki la sdang nyngkong eh na ri Sohra. Ki la pyrsad ia i mynsiem sngewkhraw ha ki syiem da kaba ithuh ia ki kum ki khlieh ka Hima bad ba ki Bakhrav ki long tang ki nongsynran jong ki ("their chief officers"). Ki la kyntiew skong ia ka kyrdan u Suba Sing bad ki la leh man ithuh ia u kum u 'Rajah', u kynrad halor ki khyndew ki shyiap, halor u khun u hajar, bad kum u halor duh ha ka hima. Kane ka jingithuh kyrdan ki Phareng ia u Syiem Sohra ka paw tyngkrein ha ka iapli jaka ia ka Saitsohpen bad ka Bholaganj, bad ka ai lease ia ki par dew-iong Rynsan-u-Buh, ha kaba u Suba Sing marwei u la soi ia ki kot iateh kular. Ym don shuh ka jingiasoi lang da u Syiem bad

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6. Roy, S. C. — Unpublished notes.



ki Myntri bad u tymmen u san hynrei shu "Nga (u Suba Sing) nga ia kut..... "ne"..... nga kular..."<sup>7</sup>

Ha ka 5 tarik u Naitung 1856, u Suba Sing u la iap bad u Ram Sing, kum u pyrsa nyingkong jong u Syiem Suba u shu thoh beit sha u Principal Assistant Commissioner ba u la long syiem ma u. U Principal Assistant Commissioner khlem da tohkit bniah u la shu ai la ka ai "sanction" ba un bat ia ka longsyiem.<sup>8</sup> Baroh ki rangbah ki khadar kur, ki rangbah raid bad ki rangbah shnong ki la ieng pyrshah ia kane ka kam beain beriti bedustur u Ram Sing, ba khlem da jied syiem ia u da ki khadar kur bad ki tymmen ki san ha ka Dorbar kat kum ka riti jied syiem. Kane ka dei ha ka por ba ka Ri India baroh kawei ka don hapteng ka "critical period", namar ka Mutiny. Hapteng ka jingma ba ioh shane shangi ruh kan sdang ka thma u W. J. Allen, u Political Agent, u la lah ban pynjem bad ban pynhun noh ia ka Hima Sohra ban pdiang ia u Ram Sing kum u Syiem, da kaba iakynduh mar khmat bad ki khadar kur. U da kubur ba ka Sorkar ka la leh bakla bad u da pynskhem da ka jingthoh ba yn nym shim ia ka jingithuh syiem ia u Ram Sing kum ka rukom ban bud biang hadien habud, hynrei ba yn da bud hi thik ia ki rukom bad ki dustur thung syiem kumba la buh ki longshuwa manshuwa.<sup>9</sup>

U Ram Sing ruh u la sngewthuh ia la ka jingbakla bad ba u khun u hajar u iai ap phira ia la ki riti bad ki dustur. Ha ka jingpynthymmai agreement jong u bad ki Phareng ha ka snem 1857 u da ioh ia ka jingmynjur lang ki bakhraw bad ki tymmen ki san.<sup>10</sup> Bad ngi iohsngew ruh ba u long u syiem uba da burom ia ka Dorbar bad uba da shong hapoh ka Dorbar bad pyniaid ia ka kum u Syiem Khasi ym kum u 'Raja'. U shu sngap ia ka jingkdew jingiapyini ki bakhraw bad ki tymmen ki san, ka jingia-tainia ha ki kaja maja ba wan ha khmat ka dorbar bad u shu pynlong kam ia ka rai jong ka dorbar.

Ha ka por jong u Syiem Ram Sing, ka Sohra ka dang dap da ki iing sder bad iing sop-tynrrew. Da buh da ka adong ba ha ki por tlang bad pyrem ym bit tbeh ding mynmiet myniong da u

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7a. Agreement between David Scott and Soobha Sing Raja on behalf of Dewan Sing, Rajah, dated 10th September 1829.

7b. Agreement between the Political Agent at Cherrapoonjee and Soobha Sing, Rajah of Cherrapoonjee, dated 20th April 1840.

8. Allen, W. J.— Report on the Administration of the Cossyah and Jynteah Hill Territory — 1858, pp. 82, 83.

9. *ibid* (8).

10. Agreement between The Honorable Company and Ram Sing Rajah dated 16th May 1857.

prew ioh her ding sha iing ki briew. Ha kawei ka miet khmat pyrem u Syiem Ram Singh u kham shong miet ha iing kur jong i Kpa u Saron Diengdoh, ha neng iewhat bad haba u leit phai sha la iing kaba sharum iewhat, ki nongbud jong u ki la tbeh prew artylli uwei nadien bad uwei na khmat jong u Syiem. Hamar ba ki poi pyrshah ka iing u Donkha Dunai, ha shiteng lynti, u la mih u Donkha bad u la mai ia kita ki nongtbeh prew. Hangta uwei na kita ki nongbud u la ong, "Em me, wat da mai eh me ong, ki Syiem te me." U Donkha hangta u dang mai shuh bad u byrngem artad ba la shai ka sngi un mudui ha iing Syiem. Ha kata ka step u Syiem u la phah khot ia u Donkha bad u la kylli ba u da mut shisha ne em ban mudui. U Donkha u la jubab ba ka dei ka kamram jong u ban mudui ba la pynkhein adong wat lada dei u Syiem ruh. U Syiem u la ai adong shiphew tyngka. Rs.5/- shi ding. Wat u Syiem ruh um long satia halor ka Bishar.<sup>11</sup>

I Bah Red i thoh:

"Mynhyndai wat da ki Syiem jong ngi ruh kim ju leh ne kren ei ei shaphang ki kam ki jam khlem da ka jingmynjur ka Durbar, ki Syiem mynhyndai ki long kiba hok bad kiba ia id hok ha ka jingim jong ki, ki da sngew ruh ha lade ba ki long ki shakri jong ki khun ki hajar ka Hima.....Barobor ki Syiem bad la ki jait baheh bakhraw ki lum da ka Durbar ha kaba ki khun ki hajar kin ioh ban ia kren ia pyni lem da ka ktien kaba bha kaba jemnud, ki ia kren ruh khnang ban biang ka shong ka sah ban suk ban bha ki khun ki hajar ha ki kam ei ei baroh. Hapdeng ka Durbar baroh ki ia ioh lad ban ia kren ban ia pyni ia kaba dei kaba shongnia. Ki ia kren tang da ki jingjemnud jai jai.

"Ki da ong ruh artat wei haba la ia wan ha ka Durbar, ngi dei ban wan tang da ki mynsiem kiba sngur kiba khuid, ba ha ka Durbar u Pa Blei hi ruh u don ryngkat."<sup>12</sup>

U Syiem Ram Sing u la iap ha ka 23 tarik u Iaiong 1875. U para ar kmie trai jong u, u Bor Sing, u long u ba nangbah rta eh na ka jaid syiem. Hynrei u Bor Sing u la kylla Kristan noh. Ki Bakhraw bad ki tymmen ki san bad u paidbah ki la ia shong dorbar da ki bun sngi ha Lum Dew saw ban tyrwa la ka kam syiem ha u Bor Sing lada u wan phai biang sha ka niam tynrai, bad kane ka dorbar ka la neh haduh kumba shi bnai. Hynrei haba u

11. U Nongpynim (Ed. S. C. Roy), No. 53, Rymphang 1934, pp. 10-12

12. Roy, R.M. -op. cit. (3), pp. 1, 2.

Bor Sing um treh ban ieh noh ia ka niam Khristan,\* ki khadar kur bad ki tymmen ki san ki la jied noh ia u Hajon Manik kum u Syiem-long-syiem.<sup>13</sup>

Ka rukom thung syiem ka iaideit kat kum ki riti bad ki dustur hyndai bad khlem don ka jingbamhun no jingbamsuk hapoh ka Hima baroh kawei. Tang kawei kaba pyndiaw ia u khun u hajar ha ka por ba long syiem u Hajon Manik ka long ba u khlem pyndep ia ka thang ka ring ia ka met iap jong u Ram Sing.

Ynda iap u Syiem Hajon Manik ha ka 24 tarik u Jymmang 1901, ka la mih ka jingiaknieh long syiem hapdeng u Chandra Sing,<sup>14</sup> u Kpa i Bah Red, bad u Roba Sing. La khie ka thma-poh-iing ha Sohra, bad la wan ur wan hap ka jingkulmar bad ka jingjynjar kaba la neh da ki snem. Ka la dei ruh ka por ba ki Phareng kiba baroh shi katta ki la buhriei ia la ka jingbuaideit pyn-heh hima ki la sdang ban khniot ia ki bor jong ki nongsynshar bad ban mushlia bad pynbakla ia ki riti bad ki dustur synshar Khasi:

*"Ki Jingpynong ki Sanad Thymmai ia ki syiem ki long kumne:—*

*(1867 bad 1875 A D)—*

*(2) Ba u syiem (tang u syiem hi marwei ym shym da dei lang bad ki myntri) un long hapoh ka jingsynshar no jingpynbeit u Deputy Commissioner"*<sup>15</sup>

La iehklet noh ia ki myntri kum ki nongmihkhmat jong ka hima, bad kim ia soi lang shuh ia kino kino ki jingiateh bad ka Sorkar-tang u syiem marwei. Ka la poi long ruh ha kane ka Thma-Sohra, ba u Deputy Commissioner pynban u la long u nong-sain syiem. La pynkhein ia ki kular rim — ki hima kim long shuh "hapoh ka jingiada ka Sorkar" hynrei hapoh u syiem uba long u shakri ka Sorkar Phareng"<sup>15</sup>

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\* Khmlh bha: Ki Phareng ki la wan bad ki la leit. Ki bad ki atiar jong ki ki Missionary ki la pyrshang ban pynkylla ia ki riti bad ki dustur ka Hima Sohra, hynriew pateng syien naduh u Dewan Sing. Ki khlem da lah. Hynrei ha kane ka snem ia u Me Sing, Syiem Sohra, uba la iap ha ka 2 tarik u Kyllalyngkot 1879 la shu tep kat kum ka rukom Niam Kristan ha ka 5 tarik utai u bnai, kata ruh da ki khun.

13. U Nongphira (Ed. S. C. Roy), No. 5, Naiwieng 1903, pp. 37-40.

14. cf. Assam Administration Report 1901-1902, Pt. II, Chpt. I, pp. 90, 91.

15. U Nongphira, No. 9, Kyllalyngkot 1904, p. 17.

## II. KA THMA SOHRA.

Na ka jingiateh lok ka poi sha ka long kynrad. Ha ka snem 1875, u Hajon Manik u la long syiem hapoh ka jingpyniaid jong u Deputy Commissioner, ym dei shuh kum u syiem-long-syiem ba pynithuh ka Dorbar sha ka Sorkar Phareng. Ym don jingiasoi teh lok shuh hapteng u Syiem, ki Bakhrav bad ki tymmen ki san ha kawei ka liang bad ka Sorkar Phareng, hynrei la shu ai da ka Sanad ia u syiem, da kaba u dei ban mane bad ban bud lut ia ki hukum bad jingpynbeit u Deputy Commissioner. Ka Sorkar Phareng ka la pynhiar ia ka kyrdan jong ki hima Khasi na ki semi-independent state sha ki "tributary state" bad ha ka juh ka por ki la kyntiew skong ia u syiem, kaba long khongpong ia ki riti bad ki dustur synshar u Khasi. Ryngkat ryngkat ka Sorkar ka ia trei lang bad ki Methodist bad lyngba jong ki bad ki jinghikai jong ki ka la phrung ia ki jingmut bad jingpyrkhat khyllah bad khongpong ha ka jabieng jong bun ki Khasi. Ka la sdang ban pyntreikam ia ki jingthmu jong ka ban wan rah ia ka *political bad social emasculation* ia ka jaidbynriew.

U John Roberts jong ki Methodist uba dei tang u khun iap kpa na Wales, uba khlem shong skul bad uba naduh dang rit u la hap trei hapoh ki par mawsleit ha ri Wales, u la wan long missionary sha Sohra. Ha ka por ba u wan sha Ri Khasi ka ktien Phareng ruh um nang bha bad ban hikai jingkhein u da hap ban ia khein lang khut shi khut bad ki khynnah. Hynrei u la ioh ka nam Doctor (Doctor of Divinity).<sup>16</sup> U khlem da pynlut sngi tang ha ki kam niam hynrei u la mushlia ruh ha ki kam hima. Kane ka jingkren jong u ha Oswestry ha ka snem 1896 ka pyni ia ka bor jong u ha ka jingiadei bad ka Sorkar:

"Ngi la kylla Khasi ruh ia ka Katekhism u Reverend William Lewis, na Pontypridd...Don ka jingpynwit shaphang kane ka kot, namar ba ngi kwah ban pynlong text-book ia ka. Ka Government ka ieng ba kam ithuh niam. Namar ba nga long Secretary ha kato ka por, nga la ioh ia ka shithi kaba thoh ba ka long pyrshah ia ki rules ban ai pule kum ia kata ka kot ha ki briew, bad namar kata kim lah ban ai nong examin. 'Lada phim lah ban leh ia kane', nga jubab, 'phin sngewbha ban dkhat noh ia ki jingiadei kam jong ngi bad ka Sorkar?' Mar mar ka wan poi ka jubab ba nga lah ban leh katba nga mon ia ka kot."<sup>17</sup>

16. U Nongphira, No.5, Naiwieng 1903 p.33  
also, C.M. Conference Report(1896), p. 74.

17. Ka jingkren u John Roberts ha Oswestry (Wales), September 1896 (Translation).

U Captain Herbert, u Deputy Commissioner jong ka Khaai bad Jaintia Hills u don ka jingiasngewthuh jingmut kaba iajan bha bad u John Roberts, bad u la ioh report na u man ka teng ia ki jingjia hapoh ka Hima Sohra. U John Roberts u ai jingmut bad u don ka jingiatiplem bad u Captain Herbert ia ki kam poh-hima ha ka por ba u iap u Hanjon Manik.

Halor ka jingai jingmut u John Roberts, u Herbert, pyrshah ia ki riti bad dustur synshar hima u la ai bat shipor ia ka kam syiem ha u Roba Sing, namar ba, ki briew ki kynnoh, u don ka jingnoh sha ka niam Kristan ("of Christian proclivities"), ba u dei u pyrsa trai jong u Govind Chandra, uba la kylla Kristan noh bad namarkata la kyntait long syiem ha ka hima, bad ba ki para jong u ki la kylla Methodist. La khih ka Hima Sohra bad la khyinwin ka Sor Shillong. U Chief Commissioner, u Henry Cotton, u la ai hukum bak bak ia u Deputy Commissioner ba un weng noh ia u Roba bad ba kin bat synshar ki khadar kur kat kum ka riti haduh ban da jied syiem thymmai. U da hukum ruh ban pynbelt kloi noh ia ka thung syiem.

Hadien ba u Chief Commissioner u la ai hukum ban weng noh ia u Roba Sing na ka kam long syiem-shipor, ki nong kyrshan jong u ki la pynlong ka jingialang paidbah kaba ki kam ba ka dei ka Dorbar Hima. Kata ka "Dorbar" ka la rai ban ithuh syiem ia u Roba Sing. U Chief Commissioner um treh pdiang ia kata ka jingrai namar ba ia kata ka "Dorbar" khlem da khot bad pynlong kat kum ki dustur ka Hima Sohra.

U Capt. Herbert halor ka hukum jong u Chief Commissioner, ha ka jaka ban phah pynlong dorbar, u la shu khot ia ki khadar kur sha Saitsohpen bad hak dak u la shu jied rangbah khadar kur hangta hi; bad u la phah mon syiem ia ki. Phra ngut ki mon ia u Chandra Sing bad saw ngut ki mon ia u Roba. U Capt. Herbert u la pyntip sha u Chief Commissioner ia katei ka "election" hynrei khlem da ioh hukum pat da kumwei hak dak u la pynbna pat ban jied syiem da u paidbah ha ka 14 tarik u Nailar 1901. U Chief Commissioner u la pynduh ia kata ka hukum bad halor ka report jong u Deputy Commissioner u la pynskhem ia ka jinglong-syiem u Chandra Sing. Ha ka 23 tarik Naitung 1901 u la ai Sanad bad Khillat ia u.<sup>18</sup>

U Chandra Sing, kumba la thung syiem ia u da ki khadar kur bad kumba la pynskhem da u Chief Commissioner, u la pyrshang ban ia beit hapoh Hima, hynrei namar ba ka la jur ka jingpynshit paidbah da ki nongkyrshan u Roba Sing, u la phah petition sha

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18. cf. op. cit (14).

u Chief Commissioner ha ka 27 tarik u Naitung 1901. U la kynoh nalog kiwei kiwei de ki jingmudui:

1. Ba dei ki jong u John Roberts, Krisno Mohon, Rev. Ksanbin, Kundromuni Singh bad kiwei ki Kristan kiba pynshit ban kyrshan ia u Roba namar ba ki kwah ban long syiem ma u, uba don ka mynsiem sngew Kristan.

2. Ba u Deputy Commissioner u la shah shkor tang ia ki Report jong u John Roberts, u Dohory Ropmay bad u Suttro Sing, Sub-Inspector, kiba long niam Methodist.

3. Ba hadien ka jingkhlah noh jong u Hajon Manik u John Roberts u la phah lam ki report lamler, shu thaw laiphew jait shaphang ki rai dorbar bad pynthoh bria ia ka jinglong u Syiem Chandra Sing.

4. Ba u John Roberts u la shong dorbar lang ha ki "dorbar" kiba jied syiem ia u Roba Sing.<sup>19</sup>

Kitei ki long katto katne ki jingmudui jong u Syiem Chandra Sing. Hynrei ka la long ruh ba baroh ki jingiakhiih pyrshah syiem bad ki jingkulmar haduh ka 3 tarik u Iaiong 1902, ba la thung syiem da u paidbah ia u Roba Sing, ki la jia tang ha ki sngi pdeng taiew. Ki ia shong thait ha ki sngi Robibar:

"Ba kita ki nongpynkhiih thma pyrshah u s'iem bad ka Government *ki la sumar bha eh ia ka sngi u Trai*. Man ka sngi la don ka jingpynkulmar ha ka shnong, tang ha ka sngi U Trai ym shym don dorbar bad jingpynklumar."<sup>20</sup>

U Hormurai Diengdoh, uba dang don hapoh ka niam Methodist ha katei ka por, u la kyrshan tyngch ia ka liang u Roba Sing bad ia ka nia ban thung syiem da u paidkar - ka popular election:

"Bad khatduh eh, namar mynta ba ki briew ki la ym beit shuh ha ka rukom rim kumta ban shu thung s'iem hi da ka dorbar kan long barobor ba ym kham lah shuh, te ka la dei eh kane ka rukom thymmai ka Sorkar ban shem ia u briew u bahok bad uba kham suk jingmut ki paidbah ka long tang da kaba la pynbun paid (*election*)."<sup>21</sup>

19 U Nongialam Katholik, No.2, Rymphang 1902, pp. 19,20.

also, cf. Petition of Chandra Sing to C.C. dated 27.7.01.

20 U Nongialam Katholik, No. 1, Kyllalyngkot 1902, p. 5.

21 U Khasi Mynta (Ed. Hormurai Diengdoh), No. 61, Nailur, 1901 pp. 3,4.

"Ka long kaba shai ba lada yn thung s'iem mynta ha Sohra kumba la leh ha ka por u S'iem Hajon Manik bad u s'iem Ronsing, U Chundro S'iem un ym loh briew shipawa na ka hima Sohra ki ban jied ia u. Kane ka long namar ba ki ong ba u la iap duh ki kynthei na la iing. Kumta ha ka jingbam bit ne bam lah pyndep ia ka niam long s'iem, u kham sniew ban ia u Kristan, kane ka long ka jingngeit u riew bat niam Khasi, bad namar kane haba la shu thung bor pyrshah ia ka mon u paidbah ym lah ban khmih lynti ba ka hima Sohra kan suk."<sup>22</sup>

"Shaphang ka long s'iem u Kristan kum ha Nongstoin bad Khatsawphra ki jaka kiba u s'iem hi da lade um donkam ban pyndep ne leh niam ka la bha bad namarkata ki briew ruh ki suk. Kum ha kine ki jaka kiba ka jinglong s'iem kam ia soh eh bad ka niam ka hima kumba ka long ha u s'iem Sohra bad s'iem Nongkrem lada ngi loh s'iem da ki Kristan ruh ka nangbha: ba luda haba ki long ki briew kiba bha, u Kristan u khambha ban kyntiew ia ka jingshai ha ki briew, ka ban pynduh ia ka ngeit bieit."<sup>23</sup>

Hynrei:

"U Chandra Sing u dei shisha eh uban long Syiem na ing ka Sngi Syiem ne wat na pdeng - ka ing ka Kreh Syiem hi ruh; naba, ha ka iing ka Sngi Syiem u dei ma u uba rangbah tam eh bad uba long kni; bad ha ka ing ka Kreh Syiem pat u hynmen eh u Chandra Sing Syiem hi ha ka rta. Kumta na kano kano ka liang u dei hi u Chandra Sing Syiem u ban neh Syiem."<sup>23</sup>

Ha ka 24 tarik u Nailur la khot ia "12 ngut ki briew na Elaka Sohra ia kiba u Chandra Sing S'iem u la mudui ba ki long ki rangbah ba thaw ia ka dorbar ha kaba ki briew ki ia suit-klong ban ym kohnguh ia u Chandra Sing," ha khmat u Deputy Commissioner. Ki la ong ba ki lum dorbar ban synniang pisa "ban aphir pyrshah ia ka jingthung S'iem".<sup>24</sup>

Ha ka 25 tarik u Risaw ki nongkyrshan u Roba Sing ki la ia lum dorbar bad ki la pyrkhath putet ban thaw iew noh ha Iewrim. Kumta ha ka sngi Iewbah Sohra, ha ka 28 tarik u Risaw 1901 ki riewkhmat ki da wan rah bad pomblang ha Iewrim kawei ka 'lang-

22. U Khasi Mynta, No.63, Naiwieng 1901, p. 3.

23. U Nongphira, No.5, Naiwien 1903, p. 37.

24. U Khasi Mynta, No.62, Risaw 1901, p. 5.

kynthei bad uwei u 'langshynrang. Ki da jer kyrteng ruh ia kata ka lew ka "Iew niam Laiphewshnong". Ki da pom bad blang, ki da tem ksing bad nakra bad ki da sieh bad ka lama.<sup>25</sup>

"Ki jong u Roba Sing bad ki lok jong u ki leh kumba ki don ha la ka boi hi ia ka ban long s'iem hi bad leh hi ia kiei kiei baroh. U Deputy Comishnor Saheb u la maham ia ki shisien, hynrei ia kata imat ba kim suidfiew bad kim kheif. Naba u shu leh tang da ktien bad ka jingsneng imat ki tharai kumba ki shu ia kren biria bad u Deputy Komishnor Saheb. Na kaba ki leh mynno mynno dang kham khyndiat, hynrei mynta ki la leh noh haduh ba kut, imat ba ki ia shim ia ka bor ka Local Government ha la ka kti hi. Ki pynbna ba ki la thung s'iem hi ma ki ia u Roba Singh. Ha kane ka 28 tarik October 1901, ka sngi Iewbah Sohra ki brieve jong u ki rah la ki stieh ki waitlam bad ki diengduh kum ban leit hiar thma. Ia ki brieve ki ban leit Iew Sohra ki khang bad ki ring ia ki hawei pat ka jaka kaba kyrteng ka Iewrim, ka bam ju long Iew shuh mynta la bun r'ta brieve, hangta ki leit pynlong Iew bad ia ki nongkhrong kiba khrong ha ki jaka ba juh khrong ki beh bad ki lute noh."<sup>26</sup>

Ki nongkyrshan u Roba Sing pat -

"Ki ong la long ka Iew kaba khraw katbam pat ju don ka jingbun brieve mynno mynno ha Iew Sohra kat kata... Ki ong ba ka khrong shu lait ei ia kiba leit Iew leit hat."<sup>27</sup>

Ki la pynlong lai Iew hangne, hynrei ha ka Iew kaba ki pynlong ha ka 9 tarik u Naiwieng 1901, la leit hiar ki pulit na Shillong bad Inspector bad Sahep Bishar bad Secretary u Chief Commissioner. Kumta ka Iew ba seng ki nongkyrshan u Roba Sing ka la tdam noh.

Ka jingsat hapdeng ki nongkyrshan u Chandra Sing bad ki nongkyrshan u Roba Sing ka la poi shaduh ka ia pyndonkam da ki tiar. Ha ka 8 tarik u Naiwieng, la ioh dngiem ha shnong. Kumba ki ju leh ha kito ki por ki da rah ia ka dngiem halor ka rynsan, ki da pynshong bad pyndeng syntiew ia ka. Ki rah ia ka na khlieh sha kjat shnong, bad ka phawar bad ka siat suloi jrain shi jrain. La jia ba uwei u Kyrton Rai Jaid Khongwir u dang shong peit kai. U dei u nongbud u Roba Sing. Napdeng uta u paidbah ba bah dngiem la siat ia u na shadem. Dei na ka shyieng

25. U Khasi Mynta, No.63, Naiwieng, 1901, p. 5,

26. ibid (25).

27. ibid (25)



shadem, u kuli u khlem da iohngam shapoh bad u la shu iapler. Ym da lah tip ba shu kum bakla ne ba da mut thew pynmynsaw shisha, hynrei ki liang u Roba Sing ki kynnoh ba u siat u Bhadro, u pyrsa u Chandra Sing.

Ynda i kum ban sdang ka jingpynkulmar hapoh shnong u Chandra Sing u la phah ap pahara sawdong ka shnong da ki briew lajong.

“Ki nongbud u Chandra Sing S’iem ki la kem bad pynmynsaw ia ki katto katne ki briew paidbah ha ka 4, 5 bad 6 tarik Nainohprah bad ki da byrngem bad kren thad ia ki briew ha shnong Sohra; bad ki da ap ruh la suloi la tiar baroh sawdong ka shnong ban ym ai rung ia ki ban wan ha shnong. Nangta ha ka 7 tarik la wan hiar paidbah bun bah bad ha kata ka sngi kim lait rung ha shnong hynrei ha kaba phra tarik ki la rung. Bad ha ki sngi kiba hadien kumta la shong dorbar sa ki paidbah ba ki khot ia ki nongbud u Chundra Sing kiba rah tiar ba kin wan iasuk, kumta ki la wan 120 ngut ne bad la ki tiar bad ki la iasuk da kaba pynjliah mluh ia ki ha ka wait.”<sup>28</sup>

Ki nonkyrshan jong u Roba bad ki nongbud jong u kim hun tang katta:

“Ki la lute ia ki khaw ki dohkha, ia ki jingkit jingbah ki liang ki khadar kur bad ki nongshong palei kiba ha Sohra, ki la lah ker kut ruh ia ka shnong Sohra.”<sup>29</sup>

“Ei bam tip ba ka liang ki paidkar (naduh u khlieh wait haduh u shong thap) ka’m shym iaidbor bad leh bor da ki laipheu jaid ki jingleh! Mynnyngkong eh ka la pynjliah mluh da ka bor ia ki liang ki khadarkur bad ka la lute de naphang ia ki khau ki kba ki bapli ki bam kwah ia ka Elekshon dang mih pynjot pyrthei. Hadien pat kata hi ka liang ka la iaid ha shnong bad man la ka shnong ban pynmane ia u briu baroh naphang sha la ka liang da kaba shu byrngem bad ba da kem briu khlem khein shuh ia ka akor briu bad ia ka hok. Ei bam tip ba ka liang u paidkhuur kam shym leit kieu iing ban leit wad tuh na iing ki riubha kum na iing i kpa ka Himmon na iing ki diengdoh haduh iing u kongor ? Shu lait thau ho kynrad ba ki lap basian noh ki riu don pisa ba ki lap pynphet noh la ki mar ki mata. Ei bam tip ba na ka liang ki khadar kur la mynsau suloi haduh ka bapli ka kynthei, ka khubor ka batriem ka met, naba ka long ka bapap

28. U Khasi Mynta, No. 65, Kyllalyngkot, 1902, p. 3.

29. op. cit (23)

tam eh na ki para pap baroh ban shoh ne pyniap ia ki kynthei wat kum ia kane ruh ki la leh da ka liang u paidkar paidhun, ka ong ka bishar.”<sup>30</sup>

Shisha ka jingpynshit ia u paidkar da ki “Election-walla” khamtam lei hadien ba u Deputy Commissioner Herbert u la pynbna stad, khlem ioh hukum, ban pynlong ia ka jied syiem da u paidbah ha ka 14 tarik u Nailar 1901, kaba poi shaduh ka leh bor bad knieh bor da u paidbah ia ka synshar, ka la pynsat ia ka mynsiem jong ki nongkyrshan jong u Chandra Sing. U Herbert u la wan hiar sha Sohra ban tohkit ia katei ka jingkulmar. I Bah Red napdeng u paidbah ba ia lum i la siat da ka suloi ia u Herbert. Dei ia ka Tupia Lieh jong u; u Herbert u la ma khlieng her bad u la wan phai noh sha Shillong. U sa hiar pat bad shi kynthun ki shipai pyrton jong ka 43rd Gurkha Rifles.<sup>31</sup>

“Hynrei ia 9 ngut kiba la tharai kum ki nongialam la hukum ban leit shong sha Jowai lai snem bad ban siew marwei marwei 250 ka kuna bad ban ai u nongbah jamin u ban jamin 1,000 ia uwei uwei. Ia kine namar ba kim leit sha Jowai la shu buh ia ki ha jail (phatok) kum ki *State prisoners* tang haduh ban da mih da kawei ka hukum pat, tang u Babu Thom Sing u la siew ka kuna bad u la leit sha Jowai. Bad 6 ngut pat la shu teh masorkar 500 tyngka marwei marwei.”<sup>32</sup>

Halor ka Appeal jong ki 4 ngut ki Bakhrav kiba kyrshan ia u Roba Singh bad ki paidbah, u Governor General u la iaaid lait ia u Chief Commissioner bad u la shu khot bad tohkit tang na u Capt. Herbert; bad u la hukum ban pynlong “general election” ha Sohra. La pynbna ba ka election kan long ha ka 3 tarik u laiong 1902.<sup>33</sup>

“Shitaiew shwa ka *election* lamdon jingkulmar katto katne hapideng ka liang u Chundrosing bad u Robasing, bad don bun ki dak bad ki jingbna ba ka liang ba duh S’iem ka’n thaw kulmar ba’n pynpep ia ka *election* tang ba ym lah ba’n tharai ba ka’n long da ka thma kumba ka la long.

Ha ka ar tarik shwa ba’n sep ka sngi la iohsngew ka jingriw ki suloi sha shnong bad la khinwin baroh shaduh Pamsohmen bad Nongsawlia—ki paitbah ba la dap ia kita ki jaka

30. U Nongialam Katholik, No. 6, Jyllew 1902, pp. 67-69.

31. op. cit (14)

32. U Khasi Mynta, No. 65, Kyllalyngkot 1902, p. 4,

33. op. cit., (18), (23).

baroh bad ha Mawkis'iem, ki la ia phet bad ia khiih lamwir lamtham sharum shaneng .... Tang shu iongreiñ bad shwa ba la leit shikynhun ki police la iohih ka ding ha shnong bad ka nangklang nangklang ba ki wiang ia ka iing u Hara Kongor, u kynum u Robasing, ha kaba don kumba 20 ne 25 ki kynthei bad khynnah bad tang 4 ne 5 ngut ki rangbah. Ar tylli ki iing ki la pluh ha kata ka miet ar tarik shwa ka *election*.....

“Kum la shai pat mynstep ka lai tarik haba la sdang ia-khreh u paidbah ba'n mih sha ka *election*, la iohsngew bad la iohih ka jingsiat suloi na thiep Mot na shaphang ka liang ba shong ki Roman ba ki nongsiat ki mut ba'n khangia kiba kiw ba hiar na thiep Twa. Don kiba siat na khlaw bad don kiba na ranap lum. Shaphang sinong ruh la iohsngew ba ka jingiasiat ka la thnam shait.

“Shi kynhun ki shipai-police ba la komorban ki la leit sha shnong, hynrei namar ki'm lah ia shan sa ba ki'm ioh hukum ba'n sait, ki la phai pat sha khl eh thiep Twa bad ki la ia kynduh bad u Captain Herbert uba la dang kiw bad shi kynhun kiwei pat ki police ba'n pyrshang pynpep ia kata ka thma. U Captain Herbert, u Deputy Commissioner, u la pyndem ia ki police sha sharing lum marpyrshah ia ki nongpynkhihwin bad u la phah ia kita kiba nyngkong sha shnong, u ia lade u ap ryngkat bad kita kiwei pyrshah ia ki riwthma sha thiep Mot. Sa tang kumba ar ne lai suloi iohih ba ki siat, hynrei ki sangeh noh bad iadem sha ranap-lum kum ki-pukni. Shwa ba'n poi u D. C. ki la hiar haduh trai-thiep Mot ki da ther da ki suloi ia kiba iatur ha Pamsohmen bad ki kuli la iohsngew ba ki sawa shaduh jan lum-jingtep. Ha shnong ka jingsiat ka sah haduh palat shiteng sngi.

Kiba ialeh na thiep Mot ki'm paiat 20 ne 25 ngut, hynrei shapdeng shnong ki don kham bun sngewmat. Ha pdeng kata baroh u paitbah kynthei bad shynrang uba khmih-kai ia kata ka thma na Pamsohmen bad lum-jingtep u iohih ia kiba ia kiw ia hiar sha iing ki Roman kumba ki dykhiw ki iarung iamih na la ka thliew.

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Ha kata ka sngi la shem ba don kiba la mynsaw na ka liang ki nongpynkhihthma arngut ki rangbah bad kawei ka kynthei kiba wan thiah ha Dispensary Sohra bad uwei uba la khamjur ha iing ki Roman. Sngewmat don kiwei kiba la mynsaw. Na ka liang paitbah don kiba mynsaw malu-mala kumba shu byllud u kuli bad dei da maw da

dieng, ..... Ha ka miet *election* iohsngew bariw satang kumba 25 ne 30 suloi ; hynrei uwei u nong-Mawphu la siat iap hajan skul-Twa hamar maw-jyngkieng ba kiw sha Iewbah ..... Ha kito arsnge, ki snge ialeh, ki paitbah ki la ioh kem 3 ne 4 ngut kiba na kawei pat ka liang, bad ha ka step 5 tarik u Captain Herbert u la ioh kem 88 ngut ki nong-pynkhihthma haba ki dang ialum dorbar harud khlaw sha ka dong Pommalang. Na kita la pyllait 3 ngut ba ki b'ym ia don buit, uwei na ki lai u long uba ki la shu kem byndi napdeng ki paitbah ha ka por-ialeh, bad ki ialam ryngkat bad ki. Don tang ar ne laingut na kita kiba bun kiba pyn-shait eh wad haba la ioh kem bad la set ia ki ha iing-skul shynrang ha Nongsawlia ; bun kiba kham rangbah bad ki nongialamkhamat ym pat ioh kem, tip ki la phet shaei ? Ka jingma ka dang don shibun namar b'ym pat ioh kem ia kita. Arsnge laisngi pat la lap ia ka met-iap uwei u Khadarshnong harud-nong ihmat la pyniap naduh kata ka miet iasiat, bad don jingong ba dang don shuh kiba jah na ka liang u paitbah.

..... "*Hapdeng u paitbah katta iohih ruh katno ka jingia-pher hapdeng kita kiba la ioh jingshai bad kiba dum ka mynsiem !*" <sup>34</sup>

U Captian Herbert u la lum la ka lum ia u paidbah kat uba don sha Mot u David Scott. U Roba Sing te u la don lupa sha-poh Dukan naduh ka miet 2 tarik, na ka bynta ka election. U la leit mih tang ma u bad ki nongbud jong u naphang kumba 700 ngut.

"La ñiew ia ki Mauphu kiba dei ki khun kliar wait, la ñieu ia ki Lai Shnong kiba dei ki raiot u Bor Dolloi u Jaid Dkhar, la ñieu ia ki Khadar shnong kiba dei hapoh ki laibasan. Ha kaba shisha na kine ki shnong ki dei ban wan iahajir tang ki basan, ki sordar bad ki tymmen ki san uwei ar tang ban wan sngap ia ka dorbar bad ban ia pyrkhata pyni ia kaba dei babiang bad ia ka ban bha ban miat, bad ba ynda la dep ka dorbar kin sa leit pynbna ia ka shnong ka thau ba la long syiem uta uta." <sup>35</sup>

"Ha ka step election ki la mih kumba 400 ngut ki War na ki iing ka Welsh Mission ha kiba ki la shong miet bad na Veranda jong la u kynrad Dr. Roberts. Ki'm shym mih

34. Ka Pateng Khristan, Vol VI. no 4, April 1902, pp. 23-26

35. op. cit. (23)

kum ki dkhui hynrei kum ki riukhlau bad ki rah da ki dieng bad ki tiar kum ban beh mrad.”<sup>36</sup>

Ki nong Sohra hi ki khlem leit mih sha kata ka jingthung syiem khyllah. Ka liang u Syiem Chandra Sing lang bad u syiem kumba ki bat ia ka nia ba ym don riti, ym don dustur ban don kum kata ka rukom jied syiem bad ba ki sngew ba ka long ka rukom khyllah kaban rat diengkhong bad niam bad rukom synshar ka hima Sohra ki khlem leit mih sha kata ka “election”.

Ka jinglah ban pynlong ia ka election ha Sohra ka la pynhun shipor ia ki Phareng bad ia ki Methodist. Shuwa kane ki la lah ban pynlong election ha Hima Khadsawphra ha kaba thung syiem ia u Raja Kine Sing, uba la kylla Kristan hadien ba la long syiem, ki la ioh syiem da u Kristan ha Hima Nongstoin. Bad, ki la lah ban pynlong election thung syiem ha Hima Mylliem ha ka 1897, tangba ki Sahep Missionary ki khlem ioh ia kaba ki kwah namar ba u paidbah u la mon ia u Ron Sing wat la “Ha kane ka kam ki Sahep Phadri ki la iarap shibun ia ka liang u Shonsing namar ba u long u para Kristan”.<sup>37</sup>

U Chandra Sing bad ki nongkyrshan jong u ki la appeal sha ka House of Commons. Haba ki ieng pyrshah ia ka rai ka Sorkar India ba thung syiem da ka jied paidbah ki jong u Chandra Sing ki ieng ha ka nia ba :

(1) U Chandra Sing u long u syiem uba la jied kat kum ki riti, ki dustur jong ka Hima, da ki nongmihkhmat ki nongseng hima, ki khadar kur,

(2) Haba jied syiem ym ju jied ia u napdeng u paidkar paid-khur hynrei tang na ka jaid syiem,

(3) U syiem u long baroh shi rta ym tang shi snem ne san snem bad lah ban long wat da u khynnah u bym pat don tmain ruh lada ia beit ki kur jong u,

(4) Ki Bakhraw ki khadar kur kum ki nongseng raid seng hima ki bat ha ki ka hok ban jied ia u syiem - kam dei ka election hynrei ka dei ka selection.

(5) Ka election da u paidkar ka long ka “innovation”, ne rukom khyllah kaba ktah naduh tynrai ia ki hok jong u Khasi tyllup ka ri bad kam biang iahap bad ka kam thung syiem. Ia ka “election” da u paidbah ki da ong :

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36. U Nongialam Katholik, No 5, Jymmang 1902, pp. 5 -58

37. U Khasi Mynta, No. 11, Naitaiong, 1897, p. 5,

“**Election** — Kane kawei ka ksuid kaba pynkâd ia ka shnong ia ka thau, ia ka ing ia ka sem, ia ka it ka hima ; kane kawei ka kam bam hoi kaba pynmih ki rukom rukom ki jingiakren bein bad jingialehbein, kane hi kaba la pynmih Ban, kaba pynmih kpa u Meng, kaba la pynhap phatok lamler ia ki lai pheu liang ; kane kaba hikai lamler ia ki briu ia la ka niam la ka dustur ; kane kaba pynduh ia ka longbteng, ka long kni ka long pyrsa ; kane ka ksuid - sepngi kaban bam duh lashai la shi sngi haduh ba kan nym pynshem kur pynshem kha. Tad lau ia kane kabam ju don phin lah biang baroh ban ia biang — Ka jingiabiang dei ka bor bad ka mynsiem..... La ym thau pisa yn siu ram da ei, la ym pynhap phatok yn pynjem da ei, la ym siat briu yn pyinkhie da ei, la ym wiang ing yn pyinkynriah da ei, ong ka buid bamman bad ka pap jong ka buid election.”<sup>38</sup>

(6) Ka jingleh jong u Deputy Commissioner ka long ka jinglehthulmur bad ka jinglehbakla palat ba la suba ba u don ki “ulterior motive” ban pynsngewbha bad ban iarap ia ki jingkwah jong u “adviser” jong u, u John Roberts, bad ban pyntlot ia ki bor synshar jong ki hima Khasi.

U Mr. Labouchere, M. P., u la thoh kumne ha ka kot khubor “Truth”, January 7, 1904 :

“As a radical I am naturally reluctant to say a word in disparagement of popular election or in discouragement of any movement of the Government of India in that direction. On this occasion, however, it seems to have been a mistake. Instead of being welcomed, the innovation was resented by the mass of the people as an unwarrantable departure from the traditions of the Cherra State. The memorandum of Sir Henry Cotton — one of the most able and liberal minded of administrators, set forth weighty reasons against interference with the selection of Chandra Sing by the majority of the ruling clans, and it is to be regretted that his decision in the matter was reversed.”<sup>39</sup>

Ha ka 18 tarik u Rymphang 1904, u Mr. Weir u la buh jingkylli ia u Secretary Hima ka Ri India, u Mr. Broderick, shaphang ka kam Sohra, hapoh ka House of Commons. U Mr. Broderick u la jubab,

“.....Ia kane ka kam la lah pyrkhath bha lang baroh ar da ka India Government bad da u Sekretari-Hima (u Lord G.

38. U Nongphira, No. 7, Nohprah, 1903 p. 55.

39. U Nongphira, No. 10, Rymphang 1904 p. 24.

Hamilton ho) ha Dorbar. Ngam iohi nia shuh ban ia khyllie biang ia ka mamla." <sup>40</sup>

Ha ka 16 tarik u Nailar 1904 u Labouchere u la thoh biang ha ka "Truth" :

"The aggrieved majority declare that the people still refuse to accept Roba Sing as their chief, looking upon him as "a foreign substance" in the State, and I am asked "to do the needful" by pegging away at the matter until "the queer decision of the Government of India" is revoked. Flattering as the request is, I fear that I cannot undertake to comply with it, for the Government appears to be obdurate. But the course adopted was an undoubted mistake and the irritation it produced has been intensified by the recent acceptance of the vote of the majority of the myntris in the similar case of the Siemship of the neighbouring Khyrim State." <sup>41</sup>

Ha ka Shithi-ban-ia-pule-lang (ka open letter) sha u Mr. Morley bad ki Myntri, ka "Truth" ka thoh :

"In the matter of the Siemship the tribesmen are stubborn conservatives. They look upon the popular election as a wicked and dangerous innovation "tending to subvert" — I am quoting what they said in a petition to the House of Commons — "all their time-honoured political, social and religious custom and to bring ruin upon the country.

The bulk of the populace deliberately stood aloof from the so called popular election which was indeed an empty farce (where) Roba was proclaimed Siem. But the headship of the State is a religious as well a political office and Roba Sing failed to obtain the consecration by the duly accredited ministers of the ruling clans which is held to be indispensable to the Siemship. The people at large have never paid him allegiance, and an agitation for his removal from the throne has been carried on unceasingly." <sup>42</sup>

Ha u October 29, 1906, u Mr. O'Grady u la khyllie biang ia ka case Sohra hapoh ka House of Commons ka Bilat da kaba buh jingkylli ia u Secretary of State for India bad da ka jingkylnoh artad,

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40. U Nongphira, No. 25, Nailar 1904, p. 122.

41. U Nongphira, No. 26, Nailur 1904, p. 132.

42. U Nongphira, No. 51, Nailber, 1906, p. 153.

"ba u Lord Corzon, ha kaba u la pynlong ia kata ka thung-syiem u la *da iuh artad ia ka niam ka rukom kaba ju don bad la don pateng pakit* kaba ki "Kur" bad ki brieu jong ka hima Sohra haba ki thung ki thung-Syiem ki ju ia pyrkhat, iajied (hi) bad ki sa shu phah ripot sha kiba halor kiban pynskhem ia ka kyrteng uta u nongmih bteng ia ka kam-Syiem uba kat kum ka pyrkhat pyrdain jong ki uba dei ba bit biang ia kata ka kam....."<sup>43</sup>

U Mr. Morley, u Secretary of State for India, u la shu pynkdam noh ia ka jingkylli da kaba pynkut ia ka jubab,

"*Ngam iohi nia* kaba biang ban khyllie biang ia ka kam, kaba la lah pyrkhat biang-biang, baroh ar da ka India Government bad da u Sekretari-hima-India ha ka Dorbar jong u."<sup>44</sup>

U Roba Sing u la neh ka long syiem haduh ba un da iap ha ka snem 1918. La pynskhem syiem ia u da kaba pynlong "popular election" bad hadien ba la lah pyrkhat biang-biang, baroh ar da ka India Government bad da u Secretary of State in Council. Hynrei, u Gurdon ha ka snem 1905 u la pyntip sha u Chief Commissioner kumne halor ka jingtohkit jong u:

"As U Roba Sing feels now firmly established in the throne, it is no longer to his interest to expand the electorate, and hence the true custom of the State has now come to light. Major Herbert therefore is correct in stating that the electors are the heads of the 12 clans and the "representative elders."<sup>45</sup>

U Herbert kum u Captain u la niad sharud ia ki riti bad ki dustur jong ka Hima Sohra, u "la pynjot ia ka hima Sohra.....ba kim nang ia suk shuh ki brieu, bad ba bun kiba la phet shnong"<sup>46</sup> hynrei hadien ba la pynskhem syiem ia u Roba Sing, u Herbert kum u Major u sa lap ia ka jingbakla bad ia ka jingshisha!

Bad, ha ka por ialeh Syiem ban mih pli ia u Roba, u A. W. Dentith, u Deputy Commissioner, Khasi and Jaintia Hills, u la

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43. U Nongphira, No. 60, Nohprah 1906, p. 253.

44. U Nongphira, No. 60, Nohprah, 1906, p. 254.

45. Letter No.435, Shillong, 13th Feb. 1905.

46. op.cit (23).



thoh kumne ha ka shithi jong u kaba 20 tarik u Lber 1919, sha u Commissioner, Surma Valley and Hill Districts.

".....it is clear that the Government of India have ordered that the Siem is to be elected, not by the adult males of the State (as was the case at the election of late U Roba Sing Siem) but by a "small electoral body" and that the "small electoral body" consists of 53 persons in all viz., the 12 myntris and 41 representative elders. In these circumstances I had no hesitation in rejecting the petitions of all those who clamoured for a popular election and in warning them that if they convened or attended a Durbar of the adult males of the State they would be severely punished.

.....I deem it advisable, in order to clear the air, to summon a Durbar of the Myntris, candidates and other Cherra people at Shillong ..... that I might warn them seriously of the punishment which would be meted out to them should there be a repetition of the disgraceful scenes of 1902."<sup>47</sup>

Shuh shuh ha ki Proceeding jong ka jingiakynduh lang jong u Dentith bad ki Myntri ha Shillong ha ka 14 tarik u Rymphang 1919, u Dentith u thoh:

"... ..There is not going to be any darbar of the adult males of the State as this kind of darbar had been a disgrace to the Cherra State 16 years ago.....

.....Disturbances took place at the last election and they were a disgrace to the Cherra State and the Deputy Commissioner hoped that the experiences of those days would have prevented the idea of creating such disturbances entering into any body's head."<sup>48</sup>

U Khasi Hyndai u ieng ha ka nia bad ha ka Hok—lada kam biang ka nia ym poi Hok—ka nia ban lap ia ka Hok kam ithuh kur kam ithuh kha kam ithuh khun kam ithuh pyrsa.

U Chandra Sing u khlem da ioh long syiem hynrei ha kaba kut ka nia jong u ka la ieng. Kumba la ong i Bah Red, u khun rangbah jong u, bad ki nongkyrshan:

"Ngi ki ba'm don bor lada ngi'm lah ban shu aphir ha ki mynsiem jong ki nongiohkam ia ka badei ba lait ka policy jong ki, lada ngi'm lah pynduh ia ka policy jong ki da kaba

47. Letter No. 895, Shillong, 20th Mar. 1919.

48. Proceedings of the Deputy Commissioner, Khasi and Jaintia Hills on 14th Feb. 1919.

aphir sha Indian Council, lada ngi'm lah da kaba apher sha u King Edward, lada ngi'm don bor don buit ngi'm lah da kaba leit shawei sha-wei sa lei ngi'n ngiat ha ka sngi ba kan bishar katba ka ibit'.<sup>49</sup>

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"Don na ki Sohra kiba la tharai ba ki long ki nongialam pynkhih thma ha kane ka thma Sohra la khot da u Saheb Deputy Kimishnor ha Sohra ha ka janmiet 4 tarik Iaiong 1902 hynrei ki la wan phet sha Shillong bad la wad ki Polis kim shem. Ynda ha ka step 19 tarik Iaiong 1902 ynda ki Polis ki la syntiat ki la iohi ha kawei ka ing ha Jaiaw bad kumta shibun ngut ki Polis kiba shu riam sada kiba rah la ki dieng ki dieng ki la ker ia ka ing bad ki la kem ia kita ki Sohra, ki don tang 5 ngut, ki long u Irai, u Kalising, u Habuising, u Kupaldon bad u Khubor, hynrei ynda lam ia ki ha u Saheb u la pyllait ia ki baroh ha ka jamin. Kat bam pat lah bishar kin shu leit hajir bad mynstep bad janmiet ha Thanat Shillong bad ia kiba 80 palat kiba la bat ha Sohra la pyllait noh hynrei la wallam sha Shillong sa tang khyndiat ngut na ki kiba kin bat jamin kajuh kum kine ba la ioh ke n na Jaiaw."<sup>50</sup>

"Ni ka bynta kane ka jingkulmar ne thma Sohra la tohkit u Mr. Rita ha Sohra ynda u la lah u la shalan tang 4 ngut kum ki nongpynkhih thma kita ki long u Irai Nongrum u Gopaldon Dohling u Habui jaidsiem bad u Haramuni Nongtariang. Tang une uwei uba khatduh u dei na sha ka liang u Robasing. Mynta la bishar bad tohkit da u Deputy Komishnor. Ha ka 24 tarik Jymmang 1902 la rai phatok mar mar lai snem ia u Irai, Gopaldon bad Habui bad ka kuna mar mar san spah tyngka bad lada kim lah siew kin leit phatok pat sa mar mar 9 bnai. Ia u Haramuni la rai ha ka 31 tarik Jymmang 1902 bad la thep tang phatok lai snem."<sup>51</sup>

49. U Nongialam Katholik, No. 6, Jyllieu 1902, p. 69.

50. U Khasi Mynta, No. 67, Lber 1902, p. 6.

51. U Khasi Mynta, No. 68, Iaiong, 1902 p. 4.

### III. U RASH MOHON ROY.

U Chandra Sing u la shong kurim ia i Meidon Jaid Nongrum, i khun kha ki Khar Wanlang na Mawmluh. Ki la don khun khyndai ngut - Ka Rusa, u **Rashmohon Roy**, ka Lisamon, u Kailashmohon, i Kmie u Roni, ka Hondi, u Konirai, u Onirai bad u Horen

Ki shynrang ki shu ia biang rynieng hi kum ki para nong-Sohra, hynrei ki long kiba khlain bad ksah bha. U Koni u long u nongtei kynroh bad u long ruh u briew uba khlain palat. Ki iathuh khana ba u rah marwei ia ki mawkynroh kiba donkam haduh saw ngut briew ban rah. Ha kawei ka sngi ka la hap ka masi shapoh riat. Ym don lynti ban wan rah ia ka shajrong da kaba shu bah-rynsan. U Konirai marwei u hiar bad u wan bah ia kata ka masi shakhlieh riat halor ki tyrpeng.

Ia i Bah Red la kha ha ka por ba u Chandra Sing u dang sah ha Mawmluh, nangto ki sa wan noh sha Sohra. Hadien pat ki sa kynriah sha Sohrarim bad sha Shillong. Ngim da tip thikna ia ka sngi bad ka snem ba kha ia i Bah Red, tangba kat kam ka jingiathuh jong i. la kha ia i ha ka por ba long syiem u Ram Sing bad ba ha ka por ba khynniuh u Jumai-Bah i la samla. Shaphang ka jinglong khyannah lajong i ong kumne :

“Nga-long tang u khyannah ia-pynher-kot, ia riam-sim, ia-khwai-dohthli, bad uba tang ka iasiat-khnam ; haba ngi ialeit skul sha Nongsawlia, ngi ia nap tang ka kheit soh-um ka kheit soh-ot ha lynti, bad nalog kata tang ka iasum ha Putturoi ha Pamsahmen.” <sup>52</sup>

Lehse ha kane ka por khynuah i la shah hikai ha u Rev. Jaramon, u nonghikai ha Nongsawlia bad u nongialap niam Kristan Khasi uba la pawnam eh ha kato ka por bad uba u Herbert Roberts u la nam u “John Jones Tarlsen of the Khasi Hills” ha ka kot jong u, ka “World Tour”. <sup>53</sup>

I Bah Red i la ong shuh shuh shaphang ialade :

“U Babu Jeebon Roy u ‘rieu-Rangbah ka ri jong ngi, u la wallam ia nga shane sha Laban ha ka snem 1887 ban shong skul ha ka skul Sorkar (Government School) kaba la-long

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52. Ka Jingialang Kynmaw ia U Babu Jeebon Roy — 29th July 1932 (Ri Khasi Press).

53. Roberts, H. — Ka Shang Khmih pyrthei (1964 Translation), p, 86.

hapoh ka Telekrap Ophis kaba don mynta. Nga la nang ruh ban pule Bangla, ia ka Okhyan-Monjuri, ka Baikorun bad ka Poidopat. Ha ka sngi Rubibar u Babu Jeebon Roy u la khot ia nga ban pule Bangla ha ka kamra thoh kot jong u " 54

I la ioh kam ha ka Office Comptroller kum u writer-clerk bad i la neh ha katei ka office haduh ba in da retire ha ka snem 1920 kum u Record Clerk. Shi-por i la hap ban leit bud ia ka office sha Dacca, ha ka snem 1911 ha ka por ba pynlong ia ka ka nong-bah jong ka Province shi-por, ka East Bengal-Assam.

I Bah Red i la ioh ia ka nang ha ka thoh ka pule na ki kot, na ki skul bad na ki kam. Bad, la suit bad la phrang ha ka rympei ka iing lajong ia ka jingroi bad jingiar ka jingtip ka jingsngewthuh, ka jingjylliewpyrkhat bad ka jingshemphang, ka mynsiem ieit ia la ka niam. ia la u para kur para kha, ia la ki hok, ki riti bad ki dustur bad kiwei kiwei kiba pynlong ia u Khasi bad ka 'culture' jong u kaba pher na kiwei pat ki jaid-bynriew.

I Bah Red, kum u khun rangbah jong u Chandra Sing bad i ba la rangbah-rta ha ka por ba ialeh syiem - i la don kumba 30 snem - bad iba la don ka jingnang jingstad i la don ryngkat bad u kpa lajong ha baroh ki jingiapyrkhat pyrdain bad ki jingiathoh ia ka appeal ha ka por ialeh syiem. Kum u khunkha ki syiem bad uba na ka jaid long lyngdoh ha ka Hima Sohra, bad kum u briew uba dang bat skhem ia ka niam tynrai u Khasi, i la tip bha bad i la sngewthuh bha ia ki HOK, ki RITI bad ki DUS-TUR jong ka hima. I la long u nongaijingmut bad u nongialampyrkhat ia u kpa ha ki por ialeh syiem bad ha ki por ba ai appeal pyrshah ia ki jingrai ka Sorkar India ba pynkhein syiem ia u kpa jong i.

I Bah Red, u Kpa jong i, bad kiba ha iing bad kur bad kha ki la um spah ha kane ka kam syiem. Ki la kynriah noh sha Sohrarim, hynrei hangne ruh ki jong u Roba Sing bad ki nong-kyrshan, wat hadien ba la pynskhem syiem ia u Roba Sing da u paidbah, ki dang wad kput hi bad ki la leit wiang bad thang khoit ia lai tylli ki iing khun u Chandra Sing ha Sohrarim, da ka jingthmu ban thang bad iing bad briew. Donbok ba ki trai iing ki la ioh phet noh shuwa.

Kumba la iathuh haneng u Chandra Sing bad kiba ha iing ki la ia leh da ki appeal shaduh ka Durbar Syiem ha Bilat bad ki la lut phew lut spah. U Chandra Sing hi u khlem ksan bad u khlem da ioh long syiem, hynrei ka nia halor ba u ieng la pyn-

skhem pat ha ki snem kiba hadien, kum ki tynrai ka rukom bad dustur thung syiem ha Hima Sohra, da ka Sorkar Phareng.

I Bah Red naduh kitei ki por lang bad u Rangbah Sibcharan Roy ki la long ki rangbah kiba nud ban kren bad ban thoh pyrshah ia ki jingleh thawsha ki Phareng kiba ktah pynwit, pynbakra bad pynkyllakhongpong ia ki riti bad ki dustur Khasi la ha ka niam, ka kam shnong kam thaw ne ha ki kam Hima Sima.

U Syiem Roba u la iap ha u bnai November 1918 bad ka la sdang biang ka jingiakhieh hapoh Hima Sohra. Don ar liang kiba pynieng la la ki nia ban pyrshah ia ka thung syiem ia u Joinmanik.

Kawel ka liang ka ong ba dei ban bud ia ka rukom thung syiem ha ka por ba thung syiem ia u Roba Sing, kata da ka "popular election" ne ka jied da u paidkar. Ha ka 6 tarik u December 1918, ka sngi Iewbah nyngkong hadien ba la iap u Syiem Roba Sing, 9 ngut ki nongMawphu ki leit khrong musur jubor na ki nong-shong iew. U rangbah uba paw khmat eh na ka liang "election" ne "jied paidkar" dei u Lumsyntiew jaid Nongrum. U da ong ia lade ba u dei u Myntri jong ka Hima Sohra; ba u dei u "Cherra Archbishop of Canterbury" bad ba baroh ki bor pyniaid ia ka Hima u bat ma u. U la iaaid kylleng ka Hima ban pynshit ia u paidbah. U la shah kem bad shah set phatok 6 bnai rigorous imprisonment, kat kum ka kyndon kaba ha ka Section 188, I.P.C., hynrei un da la lait, pyrshah ia ka jingmaham jong ka Sorkar, u la mih na Shillong bad u la leit pynkulmar hapoh Iew Lad Mawphlang. U la shah kem biang bad u la shah set phatok sa 6 bnai rigorous imprisonment.<sup>55</sup>

Ki jong i Bah Red ki pyrshah ia ka thung syiem namar ba:

1. Ka jingthung syiem ia u Join Manik kam long kat kum ki riti bad ki dustur ka Hima Sohra naba ym pat ju don rukom mynno mynno ruh ban don kum kita ki 41 ngut ki "elector" ne "representative elders" kiba da thung khnang ban ia jied syiem ryngkat bad ki khadar kur,

2. Dei tang ki myntri khadar kur kiba don hok ban jied syiem lang bad ka jingmynjur-lang u tymmen u san ha ka dorbar ba la khot da u myntri-Basan-Raid, u Diengdoh,

3. Ki Myntri ki dei ban biang 12 ngut, bad ba lada duna, kum ha kane ka kynti ba don tang 10 ngut, dei ban da pyndap shuwa ia kita ki 2 ngut ba duna,

55. Letter No. 895 from the Deputy Commissioner, Khasi and Jaintia Hills to the Commissioner, Surma Valley and Hill Districts, dated 20th Mar. 1919.

4. Ki Myntri bad kita ki "elector" ne "representative elders" ki long ki briew kiba shu thung kat kum la ka mon sngewbha jong u Syiem Roba Sing bad ym kat kum ka jingjied da ki kur ne ka dorbar. <sup>56</sup>

Ha ka 4 tarik u Nohprah 1918, u Deputy Commissioner u la phah shithi sha ki myntri ban ia shong dorbar noh ban thung syiem thymmai. U la leit sah sha Sohra naduh ka 12 tarik haduh ka 18 tarik hynrei ki myntri ki la ai daw da kum-ne da kumtai bad khlem lah pynlong dorbar. Sa shong dorbar ki 27 ngut ki nongjiedsyiem — 6 ngut ki myntri bad 21 ngut ki "elector" na ki 41 ngut — kiba dang im ha ka 21, 22, 23 bad 24 tarik. Ki sa pyntip sha u Deputy Commissioner ba ki la jied syiem ia u Join Manik, u pyrsa jong u Roba Sing bad u khun jong ka Narimai Syiem-sad. <sup>57</sup>

Ki la kyntait ia u Deli Sing bad u Nobin Chandra Sing, ki khun ka Kuri namar ba ki la kylla Kristan bad namarkata ka iing jong ki ka la long kumba la iap-duh. Ia ka kmie bad ka hynmen la shu tep Kristan. Ki la leh ia ki kam sang kum ka bam dohkha tyrkhong bad kiwei kiwei de ki jingleh kiba long pyrshah ia ka niam ki Syiem. Ia u Deli Sing bad u Nobin Chandra Sing la ot balang namar ki kam bamman ki jong ki.

Ki la kyntait ia u Purno Sing u khun ka Rad namar ba la don ka sang hapdeng ka iing jong ki bad ka iing u Roba Sing namar ba ki la mudui pyrshah ia u Roba Sing ha u Deputy Commissioner. Ka la mih ka jingiakaja bad ka jingiashut haduh ba u Roba Sing u la beh shnong syndon ia u Bira Sing, u tnga jong ka Rad. Kumta ka iing u Purno Sing kam lah shuh ban shimti ia ki kam leh niam kiba iadei bad ka thang ia u Roba Sing.

Wat la ka Rad ka dei kaba shipara bad ka kmie jong u Roba Sing ba la iap bad kaba rangbah-rta eh ha iing syiem hynrei namar ba ka la don katei ka sang bad ruh namar ba la kha ia ka ym kat kum ka rukom bad niam poikha kaba biang, u Syiem bad ka Dorbar ki la pynduh ia ka jingdonhok jong ka ban long Syiem-sad bad ban ia don bynta ha ka leh niam ha kaba thang ia u Ram Sing Syiem. Na kitei ki daw u Purno Sing um don hok ban long syiem. <sup>58</sup>

Ha ka 6 tarik u Kyllalyngkot 1919 u Deputy Commissioner, u A. W. Dentith, u la pyntip paidbah ba kiba bun na ka "electo-

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56. Ka memorial jong ki 12 kur sha u Viceroy bad Governor - General ka India — 15th Oct. 1919.

57. op. cit. (55)

58. Ka report ki nongjied syiem sha u Deputy Commissioner, Khasi and Jaintia Hills — 24th Dec. 1918.

ral body", ka kynhun thung syiem, ki la jied ia u Join Manik kum u Syiem long syiem, bad lada don ba kwah uxor halor katei ka jingthung syiem ki lah bān ai petition sha u ha lano shuwa ka 6 tarik u February 1919.<sup>59</sup>

Ki jong i Bah Rēd ki la phah ia ka petition ha kaba ki la uxor ba ka jingthung syiem ia u Join Manik ka khlem da iaid kat kum ki riti. Namar ba u Deputy Commissioner u la kyntait ia ka jingujor ki la phah petition sa sha u Viceroy ha ka 13 tarik u October 1919.<sup>60</sup> Ka Sorkar India halor ka Report jong u Chief Secretary jong u Chief Commissioner ka Assam kaba 2 tarik u December 1919 ka la pyntip da ka Telegram ba 3 tarik u February 1920 ba la kyntait ia ka petition jong ki.<sup>61</sup>

Namar ba ka Sorkar Phareng ka don ka jingtieng ioh jia biang ka jingkhiih thma ka la leh husiar lypa. Ha ka 14 tarik u February 1919, u Deputy Commissioner u la pynlong ka dorbar ki myntri ha Shillong ban iathuh ia ki ba yn jied Syiem biang ha ka 14 tarik u March 1919.<sup>62</sup> Ha katei ka sngi u la pynmih lupa ka Order ba u Hiro Majaw, u Ajin, u Byrhun, u Samson, u Raju Basaiawmoit, u Jakmuin, u Haramuni Kongor, u Nodon, u Barison bad u Sabi Tham kim bit ban mih na Shillong, ba kin buh jamin 300 tyngka bad ban pynap jamin katjuh; ba ki dei ban leit report sha Thanat ar sien shi sngi ha ka por 8 baje mynstep bad 5 baje ianniet naduh ka 15 tarik u February 1919 haduh ban da pynmihlukum pat da kumwei.<sup>63</sup>

Ha ka juh ka sngi u Deputy Commissioner u la pynmih sa kawei ka hukum ba u Soni Nongkynrih, u Skhem, u Phurshon, u Mohon, u Daniel, u Burdon, u Harok Sing, u Maha Sing, u Sib Nonglait, u Rason, u Ramu, bad u Bisor ki dei ban buh jamin 300 tyngka bad ba kin don nongbah jamin na ka bynta 300 tyngka ba kin ym thaw jingkulmar hapoh shi snem ha Hima Sohra.<sup>64</sup>

59. Notice No. 18 date 6th Jan. 1919.

60. op. cit. (56)

61. Telegram No. 298 - I. A., date 3rd. Feb, 1920.

62. Proceedings of the Deputy Commissioner, Khasi and Jaintia Hills, 14th Feb. 1919.

63. Order of the Deputy Commissioner, Khasi and Jaintia Hills, 14th Feb. 1919.

64. Order of the Deputy Commissioner, Khasi and Jaintia Hills, 14th Feb. 1919.

Ha ka 11 tarik u March 1919 la pynmih sa kawei ka Order ba u Rash Mohon Roy u Nondro, u Soni Mohon Diengdoh, u Shondro, u Soni Nongkynrih, u Bhaju, U Madra, u Sajin, u Ben, u Haiwir, u Jamu bad u Debu kim bit ban mih na Shillong bad ban leit sha Sohra. Ki dei ban buh jamin 300 tyngka bad ban pynap jamin katjuh. Bad ki dei ban leit hajir ha Thanat man ka sngi ar sien shi, sngi ha ka por 8 baje mynstep bad 5 baje mynmiet naduh ka 11 tarik u March haduh ban da pynmih hukum da kumwei.<sup>65</sup>

Ka Sorkar ka la khang shet kiad bad die kiad naduh ka 6 tarik haduh 18 tarik u Lber bad ka la hukum ruh ban pyrkhing tynggeh ia ka jingwan ka iadtuh na Laitkynsew bad na Mawsynram. Ka la hukum ruh, hadien ba siat ia ka iing u Jyrthiaw, uwei na ki myntri bad u nongkyrshan jong u Join Manik, ba baroh ki nongbat suloi kin leit aiti la ki suloi sha ki bor Sorkar shuwa ka 11 tarik u Lber. 41 tylli ki suloi ki la leit poi sha thanat hynrei ha ka miet shuwa ka sngi jied syiem la ioh khubor ba la wan rah tuh 4 tylli ki suloi na Nongjri tangba u Sub-Inspector Horju Rai u la lap noh ia ki la step.<sup>66</sup>

Ha ka 14 tarik u Lber 10 ngut ki myntri bad 30 ngut ki nongmihkhmat ki la ia jied syiem ha Circuit House ha khmat u Deputy Commissioner. 27 ngut ki mon ia u Join Manik, 3 ngut ia u Deli Sing, bad 3 ngut ia u Nando Manik.<sup>66</sup>

Namar ba ki rangbah ha iing ki la khiih pyrshah ka hukum jong ka Sorkar bad ia u Syiem Join Manik, don ruh ki kynthei kum ki jong i Rupabon jaid Dkhar, i Lamurwon jaid Liam, i Tyngon jaid Malngiang, i Thaier jaid Suwer bad i Niwer jaid Suwer kiba la hap phet noh na Sohra bau wan shong shnong noh sha Shillong namar ba ka Sorkar ka la kurup bad lilam lut bad miej bad shuki bad lyngknot, bad nap bad bili, bad khiew shet bad khiew tiew, bad iingshong bad iingsab syndon.<sup>67</sup>

I Bah Red namar ba i la shim bynta ha kata ka jingialeh syiem i la shah suspend na ka kam Sorkar shipor. I bad ki khun ki kti ki la ia shem shitom bha ha kata ka por. I Bah Red i la ioh rung kam biang hynrei kata ka jingshah pynshitom ka dang pyneh dohnud shuh shuh ia i bad i la long uwei na ki rangbah Khasi uba iai ialap khlem sheptieng lyngba ki jingkrën bad ki

65. Order of the Deputy Commissioner, Khasi and Jaintia Hills, 11th March 1919.

66. op. cit (55).

67. Ka Petition sha U Governor of Assam - 17th June 1921,



jingthoh ban iada ia la ka jaidbynriew na ka shah khniot bad ka pynkhein jutang ka Sorkar Phareng; ban iai kysriew ia la ka jong ka jaid bynriew ban ngeit bad ban ieng skhem ha la ka jinglong Khasi bad ban tei ia la ka longbriew manbriew ha ki nongrim ba la seng u longshuwa manshuwa.

I la long u Chairman uba nyngkong eh jong ka Seng Khasi. Kum uwei ne ki rishot dong kiba pynieng ia ka Seng i la pynpaw ia la ka jingieit, jingshitthem bad jingshaniah ha ka Seng da bun ki jingkren, jingthoh bad ki kam. I la shimti ia ka jingpyniaid ia ka Skul Seng naduh ba sdang, ha ka 1920, bad i la bat ia ka kam haduh ka snem 1955.

I la long uwei na ki nongseng ia Ka Synjuk-Khasi-Synteng ia kaba la seng ha u bnai Rymphang 1907 bad i la long u Vice-President jong ka. Ka jingthumu jong kane ka seng ka long na ka bynta ka jingroi ha ka met, ka jingnang-jingtip bad ka jinglong babha jong ka Ri Khasi bad Synteng. Yn ym don jingiakren ei-ei shaphang ka *Niam* ha katei ha Seng.<sup>68</sup>

Ha ka snem 1929 i la long u nongkren na ka bynta ki briew ka Hima Nongwah sha ka Simon Commission ban kyrpad ban ioh wan pynrung biang ia ka Hima shapoh Ri Khasi. I la long ruh u nongkren na ka bynta ki Nongpoh ban ai biang ia ki ia ka kyrdan Hima Syiem namar ba ka Sorkar Phareng ka la pynkylla Sirdarship noh ia ka Nongpoh.<sup>69</sup> Ha ki snem kiba hadien i khlem da shim bynta than shuh na ki kam politics. I la long u dkhot jong ka Indian National Congress namar ba i don ka juh ka jingangnud, ban lait noh na ka kti ki Phareng bad da ka jingkhmih lynti ba kan poi ka sngi ba ka Ri Khasi bad Synteng kan ioh biang ka synshar laitluid da u Khasi ia u Khasi.

Shaphang ka kamram u rangbah i Bah Red i ong:

“1. Ka burom ka ri jong ngi ka neli bad ka shong tynrai ha man la ka khmat Rangbah, kat uba la kha la mih la ka nam shynrang jong ka Ri. Kata ka mut uban sain uban tiah la i kur la i iing i sem kumjuh ruh la ki khun ki ksieu.

Ka ktien ki 'riew tymmen ka ong:— Haba u Rangbah ne long kfi ka iing u long uba don akor bad ba bha, la bha ka iing, haba u long uba snieu bad khlem akor la jot ei ka iing.

68. U Nongphira, No. 63, Lber 1907, pp. 10, 11.

69. Memorandum jong ki Nongwah sha ka Simon Commission 25 tarik December 1928 bad jong ki Nongpoh - 5 tarik January 1929.

2. Kí Shynrang (Rangbah) jong ka uring ne shnong kí long kí nongpyniaid bad synshar ia la ka uring bad la ka shnong, haba kine kí long kí brieu kiba don burom don akor bad ba iaid ha ka hok, ka uring ne ka shnong jong kí ka bha ka mrit bad ka roihá kí akor ba bha. Hynrei lada kí leh snieu bad iaid khlem akor, ia jot ei ka uring ka shnong"<sup>70</sup>

I la long u nongap pyrmán ia kí kam shnong kam thaw bad i la dem iaí thoh sha kí bor kiba dei peit kum haba kynrum kynram kí kam Municipal, ne ba duh jaka Saitjain kí nongshong-shnong ha Wahumkhráh, ba la pyllait dohkha trout, ne haba khniot bein u Syiem ba shim khajna shong iew ia kí nongiew ha Iewduh

I Bah Red i la shong kurim ia i Belamon jaid Dkhar Wanlang bad i la toh khun 8 neut—ka Ritimon, u Sultan Singh, u Mikado Singh, ka Deitimon, ka Shaitimon, u President Singh, ka Diangtimon bad u Khedive Singh

#### IV. KA SENG KHASI.

Ha ka 23 tarik u November 1899, la seng ia ka Seng Khasi. U Chairman uba nyngkong dei i Bah Red, bad u Secretary, U Chandranath Roy. Kiba Seng ia ka "Seng Khasi" ki seng da ka jingthmu ban lum lang ba l pyniatylli ia ki Khasi baroh, kiba dang bat ia ka khein kur khein kha—bad Khasi nylla bad Khasi kylla ha ka niam,

"ban pynroi ia ki Khasi ha ki jingbha ban leh ia ki kam da kaba don akor don burom bad ban iai kynmaw ia la u Blei Trai Kynrad."<sup>71</sup>

Ki jong i Bah Red ki la pyrshang ban kyntu ia ki Kristan Methodist ruh ba kin ia don lang bad ki. Ha ka Report jong ka Seng Khasi jong ka snem 1903 ki la pyntip:

'Ka jingiadei iasngewbha bad ki Uniterian bad Brahmo ki dang sah kum juh khlem thut. La sdang mynta ban kham ialeh jan bad ki X-tian Methodist (members Y.M.C.A) Kyrmen ba kane kan nangpaw nangpaw."<sup>72</sup>

Hynrei paw shuh shuh pynban ka jingbam lah shah ki Kristan ia ka niam ka rukom Khasi bad ruh ia ka culture. Ka jing-pyrshang ka Seng Khasi ban kham pyniajan ka la kylla long pynban ka thma hapdeng kito kiba kwah pynroi bad pynbha ia la ka jaidoyriew Khasi ha ki rukom babha bad ban iai kynmaw ia la u Blei Trai Kynrad, ha kawei ka liang, bad ki Kristan kiba kwah ym tang ban pynkylla Kristan lut ia u khun Khasi hynrei kiba kwah haduh ban pynkylla bad pynduh noh syndon ia ki dustur bad ki rukom im jong u kum ba la sdang, la seng u longshuwa manshuwa, sha kawei pat ka liang.

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71. Seng Khasi Annual Report, 25th Nov. 1900.

72. Ka Report na ka bynta ka Seng Kut Snem - 23rd Nov. 1903

## V. KA NIAM KRISTAN BAD KI KHASI.

Ki Kristan ki la kiar na ka Seng Khasi bad ki la bud bha ha ki dienjat jong ki Missionary kiba wan slang ialap nyngkong shane sha Ri Khasi.

Ki Missionary ki la wan ym tang ban hikai bad ialap ia ka niam Kristan hynrei ki la wan ruh kum ki nongaiksuid nongaijadu ban pynshad pynshoi ia kito kiba ki ich ring sha ka niam jong ki ym tang ban isih hynrei ban iai im sngi ban leh ia ki kam ki ban pyrshah bad ki ban pynduh bad pyntroin ia ki jinglong jaidbynriew Khasi haduh ka pud ban pynduh syndon ia ka rukom khein kur khein kha. Kane ka raibi shah ai ksuid ha ki Sahep Missionary ngi dang lap hateng hateng wat haduh mynta kine ki sngi ruh.

Ki Sahep Missionary na ri Wales, ka bynta jong ka Bilat kaba sah dum eh, haba ki leit ia'thuh khana ha ki jingialang shabar Ri Khasi lane haba ki thoh ha ki kot bad ha ki kotkhubor shaba imat ki tharai ba yn ym ioh pule ki Khasi ki da kren bein kren pynpoh ia ngi kum ka jaidbynriew.

U Herbert Jones, u Lord Clwyd, ha ka kot jong u "Ka Shang Khmih-Pyrthei, Ka Diari Ia ka Ri Khasi"—1886, ba la kylla Khasi bniah da u F. M. Pugh ha ka snem 1963, u thoh shaphang ki Khasi:

"Ki riwlu'm Khasi ba eh, ki pynlasoh ha ka jingngeit ksuid ha ki jinglong kyrdan briew bahiar tam.....ki mraw jong ka jingngeit bie' ba khyllah tam"<sup>73</sup>

".....hynrei hangne la don kine ki briew ki jingthaw ba hajrong tam jong u Blei, kiba iadem thiah ia lade ha ka jingdum tliw-tliw jong ki mynsiem jong ki ha ka jingdwai pynpang mynsiem ha khmat ki ksuid ba shu mut dur....."<sup>73</sup>

Ha ka 1896 u John Roberts, u Doctor khlem shong skul, u la kren kumne shaphang ki Khasi ha ka jingialang ha Oswestry (Wales):

"La ju ong ba ka kam jong u Mishionari, nyngkong nyngshap ka dei ban pynphrung ia ka jingiatiplem-(Conscience) ha ki mynsiem jong ki briew hapdeng ba u ia

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73. Jones, H.—op. cit. (53).

trei lang. U Mishionari, uba leit nyngkong eh sha ri Khasi u sngew ia kane, bad ki briew Sorkar ki sngew ba ka long kaba don kam ban pynphrung ia ka mynsiem iatiplem. Ki nongbishar ki shem ba ki briew kim don "conscience" tang khyndiat ruh bad ki thok ki thak-haduh wow. Kam phrung ha ka jingmut jong ki ba ki leh kumta da kaba ki leh kumta... Kata ka dei ka kam jong ngi."

"Ki riew-khlem-Blei kim tip ba don u Blei uba im, uba sngap dngong miet-step. Kumno kum kine ki briew kin lah ban laid hok, kren hok, leh hok? Kin leh tang kat ban sngewbit. Lada sngewbit ban kren hok, te ka hok kaba dei, lada sngewbit ban thok, te ka thok ka shukor kaba dei bad ter ter."<sup>74</sup>

Ha ka kot khubor "Harvest Field" ha ka snem 1901 u John Roberts u la thoh kynnoh kumne ia ki Khasi:

"Ngam tip lato kaba kum kaei kata ka jinglong hok (morality) kaba ong u Mr. Winckley, hynrei lada ka jinglait luid ha ka jingtoi ka shong-kurim kupai bad ka jingdihiad ki long ki dak ka jinglong hok te ki Khasi hyndai ki la donnam na ka bynta ka jinglonghok jong ki."<sup>75</sup>

Nalor kitei ki jingkren pynjahburom ia ka jaidbynrew ki Missionary ki da kynnoh ruh ba ka iakhalai ka long ka "national vice" - ka jingsniew-runar-shong-tyurai. Hynrei ngi ki Khasi naduh hyndai hynthai ngi da khein ba:

"Na ki pop kiba khraw tam ba ki khein ki Khasi ka klim ka long kawei kaba ki pynsyriem kat ka pyn-iap briew. Haba ka kynthai ka klim u tnga u la duh ia ka shisyndon bad um bit shuh ban sah bad ka tang shi sngi naduh ka sngi ba u la tip ia kata . . .

Haduh mynta ruh ki Khasi ki dang khein ia ka briew kaba klim la u tnga kum ia ka mrad ka mreng..... Hynrei kaba sngewsih ban iohi mynta ba ki Kristan Methodist jongngi hangne ha ri Khasi ki la thaw ki rul kiba la laid bakla than na ka jinghikai ka Baibl ne ka niam Khasi. Mynta ngi la bna ba ki la ia pynthoh ne pynshongkurim (kumba ki ong) ia ka briew bad u briew kiba ia klim."<sup>76</sup>

74. op. cit. (17).

75. U Khasi Mynta, No. 65, Kyllalyngkot 1902, pp. 7, 8,

76. U Khasi Mynta, No. 78, Iaiong 1903, pp. 3, 4,

"Ki Khasi ki khein ka pop kaba ki ong u *Byrsieh* ban pynrung ha iing ia ka tyngka ba loh na kaba tám ei, tuh, ne ia khalai... kumno lah ban ong ia ka jingiakhalai ba ka long ka "*national vice*" (ka jingsniewtynrai ha ki kynja Khasi) haba haduh mynta ka don tang ka iakhalai tuh bad ia u nongiakhlai ki khein uba sniew, ba ka *Club* iakhalai ban iakhalai kiba don burom kum ha Sor Shillong etc., ym pat ju don. Ka jingdih kiad lei-lei ym pat shym don mynbarim namar kane ka iad-pudka ne iad-khar ka long ba dang hikai u Jun Phajri ha Sohra... Wat mynta kam pat shym long kum ha ki ri Phareng ba kin dih man ka iing bad kynthei bad shynrang."<sup>77</sup>

U Herbert Jones ha ka kot jong u u da thoh shuh shuh:

1. Shaphang ka put ka tem -

"Shen shen shuwa ba ngin poi ha shnong, ngi la iohsngew ia ki jingsawa jong ka jingtem jingput basngewkynsha, ki jingput sharati, ka jingtied ki ksing, ka jingsiat suloi, ki la ia milai lang bad ki jingjléw ba shongshit..."<sup>78</sup>

2. Shaphang ka iasiat -

"Ha kine ki jingiasiat thong kawei ka shnong ka iamadbor bad kawei ka shnong, ba kumta ka mynsiem kynhün laleh ka kiew bha ha ka jingiashongshit; shuh shuh ki iadon de khah-khah bad ka iadih iabám bad ka iahulla bulla, bad búnsien eh ka kut ha ka iashoh iadat, bad na ka bynta kine ki daw, ia ki Khristan ym shah ban iashim bynta ne ban iadon ha kine ki jingialeh.... ki da iarwai phawar la kumba ia jléw ka jingrwai risa jop."<sup>78</sup>

Katno ka jingsngew tohmet ba ki pyndonkam da ka ktien "jléw". Kumba ki buh ia ngi ki Khasi nylla ha ka juh ka kyrdan bad ki ksew!

U Rabon Sing uba la synran ha kti ha kjat ia utei u Herbert Jones ha ka por ba u leit poi sha Mawmluh, bad uba la iehnoh ia la ka kam Sorkar ha Government Press ban leit long nongialap niam sha la shnong, bad uba la lap biang ia ki jingkordor ka jinglong Khasi u la thoh ynda kumba shiphew snem hadien kitei ki jingthoh u Herbert Jones:

77. U Khasi Mynta, No. 93, Naitung 1904, pp. 3, 4.

78. Jones, H. - op. cit., pp. 94, 86, 87.

"Haba dei badei iohsgeu na ki nonghikai bad ki rangbah Khristan ba ki mai ki sneng ia ki khynnah skul kiba long Khristan bad ia ki bam long, ba ki iarah ryntieh rah khnam, ki ong ba ym ju bit iasiat. Hato balei sha ki leit kren bie j haduh katta katta, ki leit sneng ia ki khynnah kum ia kata ka kam; lada maham ioh kum iasiat para lok, kata haoid ka dei, hynrei balei ban khang ia ki haba ki iateh kai, ki ia hikai kai para khynnah; lada pyrkhath bha lei lei, sngewbit wat ban da hikai khnam ba kin iasiat man ka step ynda wai skul, ba kin stad kin tbit siat khnam siat ryntieh, namar kane ka long ka kam kaba don kam shibun ia u shynrang baroh ban tbit siat khnam siat ryntieh...."<sup>79</sup>

Ngi ki Khasi ngi sngew ba,

"Ka jingiasiat ka long kawei ka kam tamsa ki Khasi kaba don ka jinghikai ia ka jingiasaidnia, ki jingsin pyndaitnia, ka jingphawar bad ka jingtbit ka kti, ka jingbeit ne tbit ka khmat, bad ka long ruh kawei ka lad ba kongsan ban hikai iada ia lade ne la ka ri haban poi ka por ne jingdonkam ban leh kumta. Naduh mynbarim ka la don ka jingiasiat ha ki Khasi, kim ju ia leh lynter baroh shi snem hynrei ka da don ka somoi somoi. Ia ka iasait bad ka behmrud ki khein ka kam rangbah. Ia u bam ju leh ia kita haba dei somoi somoi ki ong uba kum ka kynthel. Ka jingiasiat ka long kaba hikai ia ka jingiasaidnia ne pan 'tien said kum ha ka thma. Hahwa ban iasat ki ju da iashong baroh arliang ban ia pan 'tiensaid, ki la iajied mar mar la ka liang ki nongiasaid kiba stad ban ia pynrem nia bad kem nia, kiba long ki Sordar iasiat, hangta ki paidbah ki shu sngap jar kim ju nud ban kren namar ba ioh u ioh pynban u nongsaid u shiliang..... Namar ki ngeit ba da ka nia rem bad ksan ka iasiat..... Haba ki iasaid iasiat kim ju ia khong khong kim ju said bitar ne said phoi bieit ba ki tieng ba ioh daw pynrem u shiliang.

Haba ki shad iasiat ruh ki la don ka jingsin iasiat kaba sngewtynnad kaba ia pynbam ne pynrem hi da ka nia kim ju kren da ki tien nangang tien sniew; ban sngap ba sin iasiat ki riewrangbah mynwei mynar kiba kum ki jong u Juwan Mawsmat bad bun kiwei kiba da sngewkwah sngap bad kaba da donkam ban sngap."<sup>80</sup>

"Laduh barim barim ka ju don ka iasiat. Ia ka ing kabam don khnam don ryntieh ki ju khot ne ju kren bein kum ka ingkynthel. Ia u khun shynrang hi ki jer da ka ryntieh-u-khnam. Kumta yndang ha Nongsaulia mynwei myn-

79. U Nongphira, No. 44, Nailur 1905, p. 88.

80. U Khasi Mynta, No. 82. Nailar, 1903, pp. 3, 4.

wei ha ka por u Rev. Roberts (*Ikot*) ju iasiat ki ing-Khasi bad ing-kulai, ym ju don ba khang, ne ba khein ba ka iasiat ka long kaba pop ne bam bit Hynrei, mih khyl-lah, ynda hadien hadien ki Methodist kiba khang iasiat ia khang leit khmih-kai shad-niam rukom rukom.”<sup>81</sup>

Ki Khasi kylla niam ki la long ki bula sahep, ki mawsawa jong ki Phajri, ki khun mynriew theatre (puppets) kiba shri bad shad kat sha’ba tan u ksai teh ha ki kti ki Sahep Missionary. Ki la kylla long ki shakri ba kohnguh hok jong kita kiba khot ialade ki “shakri jong u blei baim”. (Mano mo ba ju iohsngew ia u Blei ba iap?)

Ki da kynnoh ia ki Khasi bat niam tynrai ki nongmane ksuid:

“*Ki Roman Katholik*: ka kham roi mynta ha Tyrna; ki don 24 ne 25 ngut... Ym don sngewmat ka jingialeh pyrshah hapdeng jong ki bad ki Protestant jong ngi - ki iaid la ka iaid, bad uwei u tymmen Khristan u ong, ‘To ieh tang ba k’in pynduh’ noh shuwa ia ka niam ksuid, ki briew ki’m rat da neh hi ha ki.”<sup>82</sup>

Ki da sin kyrteng ruh ia ki bam long Kristan ki “riewpyr-thei”:

“Kine ki ktien... la pyndonkam kynrei than da ki Kristan Khasi ha kane ka ri. Kynja ia ki briew bam long Kristan ki ong “*riewpyrthei*”. Haba ki ong ia kine ki ktien ruh ki da sngew ialade kum kiba shong ha kawei ka kyrdon kiba kham haneng, bad kita kiba ai da kata ka kyrteng ki long kum ki thie ha kawei ka them....

Ha ka liang ki Kristan ki pynmih ka jingmeng bad ka jingsngew dap biang ia ka hok. Dei kane ka jingsngew kylluid ngi tharai kaba la pynsniew ia bun ki Kristan ba ki hap ha ki jingsniew kiba ki Khasi pynban ki triem bad khein sang ban leh..... Ha ka liang ki Khasi ki bam long Kristan pat, haba phi ai da ka kyrteng ne ka nam kaba pynpoh ne kumba niew tein ia ki, ka mih ka jingsngew at-nud, ka bam lah ban set ba ki Khasi ki bam long Kristan, kiba la kham sian ki don ka jingsngew bam iadei lok bad kiba bun ki Kristan.”<sup>83</sup>

81. U Nongphira, No. 33, Kyllalyngkot 1907, p. 173.

82. Ka Pateng Khristan, Vol. IV, No. 8, Aug. 1900 p. 60.

83. U Khasi Mynta, No. 42, Kyllalyngkot 1900 p. 3.



U Herbert Jones, ha ka kot jong u, u la thoh kumne;

“Shibún bah na ki nongpang ki dei ban long ki riewpyrthei, bad ryngkat bad kine U Kpa ka Hen ha kaba nyngkong, i ía-kren iakhana shaphang kiei-kiei kiba shait jia man ka sngi; nangta, hata u la ioh bat ía ka jingsngewshaniah bad ía ka jingpynleit jingmut jong ki, un lam ía ki jingmut jingpyrkhat jong ki sha ka niam bad sha ki jingmut bakhraw jong ka jingim.”<sup>84</sup>

Kane ka jia ha ka snem 1886 hynrei ha ki snem kiba bud ki la bun shuh shuh ki “Kpa-ki-kmie-ka Hen”, ba haduh ba kiba ngeit skhem ha la ka niam tynrai ki da ngiah da salia ka ía leit kai wan kai bad ki kylla niam. Tang shu shong shiphang la poi sha ka ialap niam shaphang u-blei-ba-im — hapoh iing la jong, la nang la stad la ioh burom la ioh kyrdan katno katno ruh, shu shah kynnoh riewmane-ksuid, riewdum bad riewpyrthei, khlem don jinglehrain. Haduh ban leit on tep ía ki Kristan ba ía sngewlem ía kiba shem lanot ruh la sngewsalia ba da shah niewtang ha ki nongduwai, kumba shah kynnoh ha khmat u paidbah ba don ka jingthoh bria.

“Kumta haba ngi krenei-ei shaphang u Khrist ne shaphang ka Baibl, ngi kren ía ki Protestant Methodist bad kiwei kiwei kiba stad isaitmet ía ki niam kiwei ne kiba leh mynisih kai tat ong kiba don niam eh kaba bha. . . . *Ngin da ialade* bad ngin ktah ía ki kat naba ioh dong da ka hok bad ka nia, kumba ki la sngewbha shi katta ban krenbein bad ibein ía kano kano baroh kaba leh ka niam Khasi.”<sup>85</sup>

Lyngba ki snem haduh mynta mynne ki shu paw sa paw kine ki “jinglehbmdei, kiba sarong, kiba hangamei bad kiba wan thuh heh ialade.” Shu tiak shi tiak khamtam lei na ki Protestant Missionary ki mih ki jingkrein bad jingleh bad jingthoh kiba pynrem bad pynmong ía ki Khasi-bat-niam-tynrai.

“Ha kaba 26 tarik Jymmang pat la long sa ka jingaikhublei u s’iem Ron Sing Myllem, u Klur Sing s’iem Nongkrem, u s’iem Nongstoin bad u s’iem Nongsohphoh ía u Mr. Cotton ha ka jaka Kirit Pynthorumkhrah. Hangta la thaw ka jingshad ka bakhraw kaba la don ki briew kumba saw hajar ne. Naduh dang shiteng sngi ka por la sdang ka jingshad kynthai haba la poi ka 4 baje ne u Saheb Shiph Komishnor u la wan bad ki nong shadwait baroh arliang ka lynti katba u íaid ban

84. Jones, H. - op. cit. p. 84.

85. U Nongphira, No. 8, Kyllalyngkot 1904, p. 11.

poi sha ting jain ki la shad nguh kumba khublei ia u. Ynda u la khmih kai katto katne ia ka jingshad kumta sa pule u Babu Jeebon Roy ia ka Address (ka kot khublei) ban ai ia u saheb Cotton nangta sa thep ia kata ka kot ha ka tyndong siej ba ksah pynitynnad da ka rupa (casket) bad sa ai ia kata ha u saheb Cotton - bad u Mr. Cotton u la ai jubab ha ki S'iem ki Sirdar, ki Daloi bad ki rangbah Khasi jong ka ri Khasi bad Synteng.....Ka la long shisha ka jingkwah jong u ban pynneh ne burom ia ki rukom kiba rim bad kumba ong ma ki ha ka address "ban pynneh ia ki hok bad ki rukom jong ki!"<sup>86</sup>

Ka "Pateng Kristan pat ka la kynthoh kumne ia katei ka jing-ai khublei:

"Ka jingkhublei da ka jingialang paidbah bad ai Address ngi sngewthuh ka long ka kam riwshai; hynrei da ka jingshad kynthei shynrang ngi'n ong kumno? ka kam sian ne kam bieit? kaba ihdonburom ne jahburom? Ngi ngeit yn ym don na ki khun-don-burom bad kiba la shai ki ba'n nud kynjih ha khmat u paidbah Dykhar bad Khasi katto.

La ki Khristan ki dei ba'n iasoh-lem bad ki lok Khasi ha ki kam-shnong kam-ri baroh, bad kum ha ka jingakhublei ia ki nongsynshar, la shem ba ka long ka jingjahburom ia ki ba'n bud ia kata ka jingiasoh haba ka la poi sha ka jinglehbieit. Ngi ngeit ba ki rangbah Khasi ruh ki'n sa nang iohi ia ka jingba'm iadei kane ka rukom shad, kumba don uwei ar uba la pyni wat ha ka Committee."<sup>87</sup>

Shuh shuh "Ka Pateng Kristan" ka la pynbud da kine ki ktien ha ka issue kaba hadien :

"Kawei pat lada ka biang ba'n khot ia ngi kiba 'rkhie bein' bad kiba 'lorni' namar ngi kren pyrshah ia ka jingshad Khasi, ngi'm iohih lano ngi'n lait na kane ka jingkyndoh, namar kawei na ki kam jong ngi hi ka long ba'n pyrshah ym tang ia kane kawei ka niam Khasi, hynrei ia kiwei ruh kum ka jingkheinksuid, ka jingknia, ka jingshat pylleng, etc."<sup>88</sup>

Sa ha ka shong skul pat "U Nongialam Khristan" u la thoh :

"..... Mynta ha Calcutta kine ki shong skul. Ha ka Free Church College u Alexander, U David Roy bad u Sosirai na Shillong bad u Joy Mohon na Shella. Ha Bishop

86. U Khasi Mynta, No. 68, Iaiong 1902, pp. 5, 6.

87. Ka Pateng Khristan, Vol. 6, No. 5, May 1902, p. 38.

88. Ka Pateng Khristan, Vol. 6, No. 7, July 1902, p. 49.

College u Overland bad u Lowel Gatphoh na Jowai. Ha Calcutta Medical College u Homiwei na Shillong. Ha Campbell Medical skul Calcutta i Flora Mohonroy bad ha Bethune College i Annamon. Ha Dibrugarh pat ha ka skul ba hikai dawai u Omoliwell bad u Sorti Mohon na Sohra. *Kine ki khadwei ngut ki long ki Khristan baroh. Ki lok Khasi kiba shait pynrem ia ka niam Khristan ki n ong aiu ia kaba kum kane*, ki sngewbha ba ka ri Khasi ka'n shu sah hajuh ha ka jinglong kaba rim lane ba ka ri jong ki ka'n nangiaid shaphrang bad nangkiw kham shaneng ha kiei kiei kiba bha lem bad kiwei kiwei ki ri. *Lada ki'n bishar hok ki dei ba'n sngew ba ka jingwan poi ka niam Khristan sha kane ka ri ka la long ka jingkyrkhu kaba khraw ha bun rukom ia ki Khasi.*" <sup>89</sup>

Kum ka jingkynthoh ia katei ka jingakhubor "U Nongialam Khristan" uwei u briew uba sin ialade "U Khasi" u la thoh ka shithi sha u Editor "U Khasi Mynta";

'Ngi la pule ia ka jingiathuh khana "*U Nongialam Khristan*" shaphang ba ki samla Khasi ki la bun kiba shong skul mynta sha Dkhar, ngi kum ki para Khasi ngi la sngewphuhamat ba ngi don ki para Khasi kiba nang ia id shaphrang ban kiew ha ki jingstad ne jingroi kiba bun rukom. Haba ki para Khasi ki roi ha ka spah, ha ki jinglong s'iem long bakhraw, ki roi ha ka rep ki roi ha ki kam Sorkar, kiba roi ha ka khati pateng, kiba roi ha kaba thaw ki skul, ki ting shonkot, kiba long Editor, kiba long hok long bha ngi sngew ia phuh mat lem ngim ju da kylli ne buh jingmut eh ia kaba u long Calvinistic Methodist, ne u Church of England, u Roman Katholik, ne u Bramo ne Uniterian, u Musulman, u Hindu ne u Khasi. Haba u para Khasi pat u leh jah burom, re u shah leh bcin, ne kren bein ruh ngim ju da wan eh kata ka jingmut ba u dei na ka niam aiu, hynrei ka jinglehrain bad lip niuhmat bad sngewpangnud ka hap lem ha u para Khasi baroh.

Haba leit jia ryngkhat mynta ba don ki samla Khasi kiba shong skul sohshnong tang na ki Khasi Kristan u *Nongialam Khristan* u pyrta ia ki lok Khasi da ka jingsngew hangamei ne sarong ba kin khmih. Phi tharai ba ngi bishni mo ia kane? em, ngi nang ia kmen lem phi ruh wat long kum kane ka jinglong ba loh phin buh ka jingiasngew-ar ha ki para Khasi kum ka jaid bynriew Khasi. Hato ngi ki Khasi ruh ngin ong mo don u Khristan uba khraw ne don spah kum kiba ym long Khristan ne kiba dei ha kiwei ki niam? Em ym don

uwai u ban poi jingmut kumta. U Hajom Kissor Singh u thaw ka skul ha Jowai, u Babu Jeebon Roy u thaw ka Skul ha Mawkar, u buh ka ling shonkot kaba la pynshlur katne ia ka jingthoh kot ha Khasi, u la walam ka kor thain-jain, u pynlong ka jingkhali mawshun kaba khraw kaba ym ju don u Khasi uba la trei khraw haduh katto, kaba la kyrshan bun spah bun hajar ki nongtrei hapoh jong u, u la mait ruh ia ka lynti ban plie ka skul Entrans ha Khasi khnang ba ngin ia lait lynti ban lapoi ri Dkhar ban shong skul bah kumne. bad don bun ruh ki Khasi bym long Kristan kiba dang kham roi ha ka spah, ka khali, hato kata kam long ka jingkmien lem jong ngi u para jaid Khasi shi tyllup? Mano na u Kristan Khasi uba ju wan poi tang tiak kum kata ka jingmut kaba um sngew ia kmen lang na ka bynta ka jingman bha ne leh bha u para Khasi, ai la me long na kano kano ka niam. Lada U *Nongialam Khristan* u la shu iathuh tang katne, ba kita baroh ki samla shong skul sohshnong ki long ki Kristan Khasi Calvinistic bad ki Church of England ka la biang, ban lei ban da wad ne pyrta ia u Khasi da ka jingsngewhangamei ba un khmih ba un dup shon ha ka dohnud. Tang kane ka tien khadduh nga ong, Ko para Khasi lada phi long na kano kano ka niam, to wat ia bud ia kum kine ki tien pynpait ne pynkhlad jingmut para Khasi, namar to kynmaw kyndiang, ba la me long ha kano kano ka niam, ia me yn shu khot hi u Khasi, kum ka jaid briew mem lah khlad ne weng noh ia ka jor Khasi kaba me la ia mih lang na kawei ka tynrai.”<sup>90</sup>

Shu tiak shi tiak, tang shu ioh lad ki Missionary Kristan bad ki nongbud jong ki ki shu wan dait wan shiit wan dung. Haduh ha ki Commentary ruh khlem daw ki shu bsuh ia ka jaid Khasi tang ban ioh kynnoh :

“Haba ngi iohsngew ne tip ba u Dr. John Roberts u shu tir shi tir tang ban kren siat dung bad ba u tang ka kynnoh kynta ia ki Khasi kum ka kynja bad ym man ju da kyrtiang tang tiak sha la ri, ngi ong to ieh u’n mat kren suwan ei jar uba pli uba kwah. Hynrei haba mynta ha ka Komenterer kaba ki la hikai ban ong ka “jingbatai ktien U Blei,” *Ka Nongialam Khristan* No. 10 pej 152 kolom 2 jong u Risaw 1903, u la kren sohmyntho ne siat dung pynban ia ka kynja Khasi. Ia u Shamai uba hikai ban nym iehnoh tnga lait na ka jingklm imat kumba u kam sha lade hynrei ia u Hillel uba hikai ban iehnoh tnga na bun ki daw u niat sha ki Khasi. Ngin leh kumno haba u briew u la buh ha ka jingthoh kaba yn sah pateng pakit. La ngin ong kumno kumno ngi sngewshyngkan namar bun ki Phadri Welsh kiba ngi burom bad

90. U Khasi Mynta, No. 70, Nailar 1902, p. 7.

kiba ym ju tip ne nud kren ia kane ka ktien sohmyntho, bad ia u Dr. J. Roberts ruh, kum ngi kiba la shah hikai ha u, ngi sngewshynrain wat ban ia peit pyrshah eh, hynrei la kumta ruh la ym da pyni khyndiat ym bit bad lada u dem marmlien bad ba ki lok jong u kim khang ia u ban leh kumne kata sa ban nangiathad rong ia ka pap ka shuti ki kynja jongu.

... ..

Ha ngi kiba ngeit ha U Jisu Khrist kum u Nongpynim ngi la sngewnguh ia ki lok Welsh ba ki walam ia kane ka jingtip ia U Jisu sha ngi Bad kum ka kynja Khasi ruh ngi sngewnguh ia ki na ka bynta kiwei de ki jingtiarap ba la ioh. Hynrei ban ia ka jinglong sot long hok (moral character) kum ka jaid briew kim bit kob ki lok. Ban khmih ia ka jingsniew ba sngewtriem ha ka ri jingki la i don kam ban leit na Khasi shatai ban iathuhkhana babba ba kum ka jaid bynriew ki dei ban kylla noh kloa na ka jingdiu buaid bad kynthet shynrang, na ki jinglute, pyniap bad bun kiwei ki pap ki sang ba ijli ha ka ri jongki.”<sup>91</sup>

“U Dr. John Roberts shi thlong mluh shi thlong sying tang ia ki Khasi—Nalor kiba u la lah thad baroh ha la shnong (Wales) bad ha kiwei kiwei ki shnong kum sha Madras etc., ia ki Khasi hyndai, mynta ruh u Dr. John u shu dang buh nud hi tir shi tir kumno ban ioh shyit ia ki Khasi. Ha la “U Nongialam” No.10, 1903, Page 1:2, col:2, line 3-6, u thau la ka *Commentari* ia la ka Beibl..... Um don kam ban long Nongiathuh-lupa (Prophet) haba u batai ia la ka Beibl, hynrei tang ban ioh ksam ia ki Khasi um snguepher ban iathuhlupa ba ‘Lada u Hillel un don ha ri Khasi un ioh bun ki ban bud ia u. u iadei bha ha ka rukom kane ka ri (Khasi)’!!..”

... ..

Imat na kane ka jingphawar u lok ba tang ka ri Khasi kaba nang ia iehnoh tnga eh, kiwei kiwei ki bynta jong ka pyrthei kim kham nang, bad na kata u la don kam ban jer ia ka ri Khasi!”<sup>92</sup>

Ki Missionary bad ki nongbud jong ki ki la pynmih da kum kitei ki jingthoh bad ki la pynmih ruh sa da kiwei kiba thew ban pynkhlad wat ia ka imlang sahleng bad ka iatrei lang ha ki kam shnong kam thaw.

91. U Khasi Mynta, No. 85, Naiwieng 1903, pp. 4, 5.

92. U Nongphira, No. 5, Naiwieng 1903, pp. 33-35.

Ki Methodist ki la thoh;

“U Khristan uba lah iehnoh ia ka niam Khasi u hap hapoh ki dustur kiba mih na ka niam bad kata ka niam Khristan ha ri Khasi kam iohi. Ha kine ki por ka Presbiteri Shillong ka la kham peit mat khyndiat ba kam shah ia ki Khristan ban iasoh ha kano kano ka kam ba dei niam jong ci syiem, wat tang ban ia leit kit dieng iing ha ka iing niam Siem iing Lyngdoh ruh.”<sup>93</sup>

Ki Roman Catholic pat:

“Ka Balang ka khang jur eh ban thang ia kiba iap. Te uno uno uba da *la ka mon lajong*, khlem da donkam eh u ioh bynta ha kine ki jingthang iap briew, u leh pop, khamtam lada u ioh bynta ha ki kam jingknia.”<sup>94</sup>

“K. *Bit ban leit iarap thoh diengthang na ka bynta uno uno uba iap?*

J. Ban iashim bynta ha kano kano ka jinglehniam Jentil ne Protestan ym bit lano lano ruh. Ha kaba thang briew ka rukom Khasi la jan barobor don ka jinglehniam te namar kata ba u Katholik u leit iarap ia kum kane, ka bym bit satia.

Lada tharai ruh ba ym don jinglehniam ei ei, ban leit iarap ia kum kane, ka Balang hi ka khang ka long kaba mynsaw ban ai nuksa kaba sniew ia kiwei pat bad ialade sha ka jingleit thala”<sup>95</sup>

Ki Kristan ki sngewsarong ha la ka jinglong “khrav” ha ka jinglong Kristan bad ki da bud ruh ia ki jinghikai ki Missionary ban kynnoh lai phew jaid ia ka Niam Khasi—kham bunsien lei ba ka dei ka niam ksuid. Kine ki jingsngew ki paw ha man ki jingthoh tang shu ioh daw ban bsuh:

“don kawei ka iing kaba shiteng ki briew ki phla Khristan shiteng pat ki phla Khasi, shiteng ki duwai ia u Blei shiteng pat la ka duwai ksuid lyngba ka pylleng bad u sylar”<sup>96</sup>

U Fr. C Vendrami, Parish Priest ki Roman Katholik u la thoh kumne:

93. U Lurshai, Vol. XV. No. 10, Oct. 1925, p. 1.

94. Ka Iing Khristan, Snem XIV, No. 3, Iaiong 1928 p. 7.

95. Ka Iing Khristan, October 1939.

96. U Nongialap, Vol. II (N.S.), Nos. 2 & 3, Feb. & March 1931, pp. 10,11.

"Ym pat ju iohsngew ha ka pyrtnei ba shabar ka niam u Blei, ki don ki riewkhuid kiba wan na u Blei, ban ialap ia ka hok bad ban trei ia ka kam jong U, namar ba ngi tip baroh bad ka Baibl ka pynsakhi ba ia kane ka kam bad ia kane ka bor baroh la ai da u Blei ha ka Balang jong ngi, bad tang ha ka Balang jong ngi hi....."<sup>97</sup>

Ki kylla-niam ki klet ruh imat ba ka ktien ba pyndonkam ia u Nongthaw Nongbuh, u Trai Kynrad - "BLEI" - ka dei ka jong u Khasi naduh hyndai kulong!

Ki Presbyterian ki da thoh shaphang ialade:

"Ki Riewshai na Mawkhar, Jaiaw, Mawlai, Laban, Laitumkhrah, Malki bad kiwei kiwei de ki lah shibun ban leh na ka bynta ka ri da kaba ia byrshem lang ia la ki khlieh man ka por ban ia pyrkhath bad ban ia trei tylli kawei ban pynsan ia u Paid Khristan"<sup>98</sup>

Ha kawei ka snem iwei i khynnah ha Skul Kynthei Mission, ka K.J.P. Girls High School mynta, iba dang long Khasi ha ka niam i la pan shuti ban leit peit shad Sohra, hynrei ka Miss Jones, kaba long Headmistress ha kata ka por kam ai shuti. Ka da pynbud artad bad ka shithi sha iing ita i khynnah ha kaba ka da thoh kumne:

"Nga da ong biang ia kaba nga la ong hynnin ba ngam lah ban shah ia iwei ruh i khynnah skul Mission Kristan ban leit shim bynta ha ka shad ka kmen ki riew-khlem-blei (heathen festivities). Haba nga ong ia kaei kaei, nga mut shisha, bad hadien ba nga la pyrkhath jylliew bad nga la da duwai jur nga la poi ha katei ka jingrai. Kane ka skul ka iong kum ka nuksa jong kiei kiei kiba pynkhraw ia ka niam Kristan"<sup>99</sup>

Ki Kristan ki da khang ding ding dang dang wat tang ban shu leit peit kai shad ruh. Ka jingpynshitom ka long syndon da kaba shah ot balang! Haba la kylla Kristan ki die noh ia ki mar deng mar kieng shad, lane ki da pynpait pyndkut da kaba shoh tukra ne dung pynpra da u synrei u thlong ban phah shna kynjri bad shuitshkor nongbilat noh.

Lada ki Kristan ki la bud kyrni ia kum kine ki jingthoh ba ai harum hato ki lah ban pyniapher pat ialade na kiwei pat ki

97. U Nongpynian, No. 25, Nai Kyllalyngkot 1931, pp. 9-12

98. U Lurshai, Vol. XIV, No. 3, Mar. 1924, p. 2.

99. Ka shithi ka H.M. Jones sha u Sib Charan Roy (translation)-24,3,26.

jaidbynriew kum ki Khasi? Bad lada kim bud hato ki lah ban ong ba ki dei ki Kristan?

“Lada ka niam Kristan kaba wallam ia ka jingshai bad jinghikai U Jisu Khrist kam leh ei ei ban pyllait khuid noh na ki rukom ka niam rim kan myntoi aiu ban shu ong long Kristan; ka jan eh kaba ong u Jisu Khrist ia ki Pharasi. “Phi pynkhuid ia kaba shabar, hynrei hapoh tngit. Ia pynkhuid ia kaba yn ym bam doh knia, kaba pynjngai na ka shat pylleng, kaba pynjngai na ki jingshad bad jing'leh niam (kata ruh ban shu leit jngoh tang da ki khmat) hynrei hangta hawei pat iehnoh ia u Kristan ban kyrsum haban da rben. Hangno ka tynrai ka sah niam bad iehnoh niam, ha ka bam doh knia ne ha ka synniang bai phur. Lada ia u Kristan ym pyllait na ki niam ki rukom ka ri, kata ka mut ka jingpynbor ha u ban ia syllok ban ia synniang ha kiei kiei ki jong ka niam Khasi. Hangne yn sa nang shah rkhe bein bad lada ka iai iaid kumne, ka jingkylla Kristan kan long tang ka kylla sopti, ne jingspong, ne tupia kumba mih ka jinglong bapaw ha ka jingiaphong iakup ki Kristan bad b'ym long Kristan.”<sup>100</sup>

“U Khasi u don la i niam i rukom ha la i jaid i jaid kat kumba la buh u longshuwa jong u, u Kristan pat u don la ka nongrim ka ktin u Blei ha kaba u shem ia ki jingialam baroh ha ka jingim jong u: u long u nongbud ia U Krist bad ki jinghikai jong u bad uba ka jingkyrmen ka jingim jong u ka long ka Jingsiwspah Kalbari: Kiei kiei kiha rim jong i jaid i kynja u la bred bad iehnoh bad ki niam ki rukom ki kiaw ki kthaw, jong ka longkha longman kim soh ha u shuh. Kumta kiei kiei ki dei ban long lynda kumta um pat long u nongbud bad nongphla jong u Jisu Khrist u Trai bad U Nongpynim ka pyrthei. Hinrei haba bishar bniah ia kiei kiei kumba ki iaid bad kumba ki long, u nongbud ia ka jingialam ka Gospel imat um pat lait na bun ki jingpynsoh bad jingpynkham jong ka niam ka rukom Khasi, bad kumta ym pat lah ban ong ba u long u Kristan. Katto katne na ki rukom niam Khasi ki dang soh ha u bad kumta u kylla long u riw-pdeng, Khasi ruh em, Kristan ruh um poi bad ka kyrteng kaba yn hap ha u kan long Khasi-Kristan ne Kristan-Khasi, kaba lah ban batai, ka niam-dud-kwar . ...

Lynda ki Rangbah, ki Nongialam jong ka Assembly ki iaphai dien bad peit sha kane ka liang, bad thaw lad ei ei ban pyllait ia ka ri na kine kiei kiei, ki Balang kin shu iai sah kumjuh bad ka niam rim ka shu iai snoh ha u Kristan



la u ong ba u la bred ia ka bad hadin hadin ka jingphla ia  
 U Jisu Krist kan long sting shibun eh bad kan long shisha  
 tang ka jainkup na jrong kaba tap ia ki jain tngit baroh kaba  
 soh ha ka met jong u."<sup>101</sup>

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101. U Lurshai, Vol. V, No. 9, Sept. 1914, p. 1.

## VI. KA NIAM KRISTAN BAD KA KHEIN KUR KHEIN KHA.

“Ha kata ka por (1870-72) shong- “ing-kulai” shong “ing-Khasi” mangi ha Nongsawlia (Sohra). lada ngi ong ia kito kiba “Kylla-bamut”, ‘Tuw uba mane blei ia u brieu, uba pait na ka brieu,’ ki bitar lain lain, bad ki da ong shai ba kim mane blei ei-ei ia u Jisu.....

Sa shaphang ka *shongkur shongsang shongsynri* pat te kata kaba kin tang ialap kai ha ing ha sem ruh kim nud - basang ki ong. Kumta ia u Adam bad ia ka Im-rngai ki khein ba ki long tang ki puriskamkai. Hynrei ki Welsh ne ki Bilatti Keltik phajri, kiba don hi *la ka tynrai ngeit bie* ba bit *shongsang* naba ki la ia mih-brieu ia man-brieu tang na ki shijur brieu jong ki, ki ju mad hi man la ka teng tiak shi tiak ban khmih-ihuh ba ki Khasi-kylla jong ki ki la long Kristan shisha ne em. Shisien ia I tymmen I Kpa u Morkha, iba ju dih krad ynda la lah wan fiaah kulai na Tharia, haba ki ia shongkai syaid-ding ha ing jong ki phajri halor ki shuki shuki i la ong, ‘Phi, sahep, mynta te nga la long u Kristan shisha uba bha.’ U Sahep H. Roberts de u la ong, ‘Naba kumno phi la long u Kristan babha?’ bad I tymmen de i la phai ktien bad i la ong. ‘Naba mynta ngam ju dih kiad than shuh wat ynda la lah wan fiaah kulai ruh.’ U Phajri Hughes Roberts hangta u la ong ia i ba ka jingbymdihkiad than kam pynlong u Kristan babha ne ba snieu ia uno uno ruh. ‘Te kaei heit,’ i tymmen i la kylli, ‘kaba pynlong ia u brieu u Kristan babha?’ U phajri de u la jubab bad u da ong ‘Lada phi la long Kristan shisha, phi nud ban shongkurim ia la ka kur?’ I tymmen de i kyrngah la ka khlieh sha lyngkdong ka shuki bad ka kyneu-“eu-eu,” i mih noh bak artad na ing. Kumta ki phajri kim khein u Kristan ne u brieu u ban ioh leit shong “shadem u Abraham” katba um pat da la shongsang.

“Sa kane kawei pat ka khana-tang basabut shaphang ki rieurim Nongsaulia (mynwei ngim ju ong ki Kristan ia kiba leit ia kylla Methodist, ngi ong ki Nongsaulia). Kaei? Haba I Babu Juramon, i Nonghikai jong ngi ha Nongsaulia, I la leit long *Reverend* nyngkong nyngshap sha Maulyngkneng, ka la leit jia sang ba ka khun jong i ka la ioh khun na la u para ar-kmie trai jong ka. Haba la bna ia kata ka khubor, ki phajri ri Khasi baroh ki la sngaubha shi kaddei eh, bad kumta la hiar ki phajri na sha Jowai bad na sha Sohra, Laban, Khadsauphra baroh ban pynlong noh ka jingiathohku-

rim Kristan kaba shisha bad ba skhem, naba kine ki nong-shong-sang ki long kat kum ka jingkhein ki phajri, kiba bha bad ki Kristan shisha. Ki Pnar na Jowai ruh, ki ong, ia arspah ngut ne ki la wan hiar ha Maulyngkneng ban ujur pyrshah ia ka ban pyniathoh-kurim, bad ki da byrngem tyngeh ba lada pynthoh kurim ia kine kiba shongsang kata baroh kin phet *balang* noh. Ar sngi la long ka jingiasaid iapyni ban "pyniathoh noh ia ki kein," hynrei ym kut bad ym don ba mynjur sha ka liang ki phajri. Khadduh khadwai ki phajri ki la mut ban pynthoh kurim bor, bad, hamar kata, I Babu Jura i la sei la ka suloi I theu artad sha u brieu hi, bad I la ong, "hau pyniathoh lada don shynrang, yn ia khmih kai." Kumta ki phajri ki la ran noh rut bad ki la phet noh." <sup>102</sup>

".....U Kristan pat u don la ka nongrim ka Ktin U Blei ha kaba u shem ia ki jingialam baroh ha ka jingim jong u; u long u nongbud ia U Khrist bad ki jinghikai jong u bad uba ka jingkyrmen ka jingim jong u ka long ka Jingsiwpah Kalbari : kiei kiei kiba rim jong i jaid i kynja u la bred bad iehnoh bad ki niam ki rukom ki kiaw ki kthaw, jong ka longkha longman kim soh ha u shuh." <sup>103</sup>

*"Shaphang ka Shong Sang.*

Ha pydeng jong ngi ki Kristan la don kiba shong kurim la ki kur, la ki syngken, la ki tynga ki kynum, la ki khun ki kynum bad ia u tynga lane ka tynga u para lok ne ka para lok ba la lah iathoh; kaba la pynpaw ia ka jingsngewsting shibun ia ki jingshongkurim khlem da pyrkhath ia ka jing-lehrain " <sup>104</sup>

*"Ka shong sang* — Ngi ngeit ba u Khasi baroh u ia tip ba kaba shong sang ka long ka pop kaba ijli tam eh hapdeng ki Khasi. Uba leh kum kane ka kam u ioh ka saja kaba jur na ka pyrthei bad na ki kur ha ka liang ka niam ka rukom. Na ka pyrthei u dei ban shah beh sha Bonpur ne Puriang etc. na ki kur pat kim shah ban ioh jaka shong thait ha u maw-shyieng.....La isih ia kane ka pop da ki Khasi haduh ba ki kynjing ban iabam iadih ban ia iaid ia reng bad ki brieve kiba kum kita la ha kine ki sngi hapoh ka jingsynshar u Mammon Siem kata ka jingsngew pyrshah ia ka shongsang ka la kham sting ha ki bun ki brieve bad ba ki don ruh kiba

102. U Nongpynim, No. 18, 'Nailar (Nov.) 1929, pp. 16-17.

103. op. cit. (101).

104. U Lurshai, Vol. V, No. 5, May 1914, p. 3.

ia kynpham ia kane ka pop kumba ngi iohi ba don na kiba leh kumta kiba la long nonghikai skul etc. ha kine ki sngi.... Katno sngewtriem ban iohsngew shaphang ka ia ioh lok sha kine ki thain, ki ong kiba ioh wad i la ka kmie nah ruh don, ia la ka kur ba jan eh bad don ruh ka case ha kaba la shem ba u kpa hi u la ioh ia la ka khun. Mynhyndai te ki pynryngkang par ia kiba kum kita hiarei ha kine ki sngi pat la kynpham ia kiba kum kita bad la ai ia ki kyrdan kaba kham don burom pynban. Kiba kum kine ki don ha ki skul bad u dieng sympat ha ka kti. Don ruh kiba la man rangbah ba paw khmat ha ki Balang bad kiba la man tymmen basan Balang ruh la don.... Dang ha kane shibit eh la don ka jingujor ia ka jingjed siem ia u Rubinsingh ha ka jaka u Siem Kisonsingh namar ki ong hana u shongsang bad ki la ialeh shaduh U Governor in Council lynrei mynta ngi la bna ba la pynskhem ia U Rubinsingh pyrshah ia ka jingujor ki myntri bad ki paitbah Maharam Ngin leit iam rem lei haba da ngi kiba ong ba ka long kaba sang ngi la ia kynthup ia kiba kum kita .....Ka shongsang ka long shisha ka pop kaba isih tam namar ka pynkylla ia u briew na ka jinglong briew — u jingthaw uba la da thaw kynsai da U Blei uba kongsan tam na ki jingthaw baroh sha ka jinglong mrad. Dei ha kane ba ia u briew la ithuh na u nrad saw kjat.”<sup>105</sup>

(“ha ka Program (A) tarik 15-4-29 jong ka *National Durbar* la buh nongkren Durbar da u Siem Maharam (u Rubin) uba dang lah thung Siem shen da u D. C. Sahep pyrshah ia ka jingujor ki shnong bad ki Siem khynnah naba u long uba la *shong - sang* ia la ka kmie-nah haduh ban da ioh khun kynthei kawei...”)<sup>106</sup>

Ki Presbyterian ki pynshoi buhrieh, ki shu niewsting bad ki shu kynpham ynda la jia ka shong sang, hynrei ki Katholik ki da thoh da ki jingthoh ban pynshlur ia ki nongbud niam jong ki ba kin pynkhein ia ka rukom kheinkur kheinkha u Khasi :

“Ia ka jingsngewsang ban ia shongkurim shikur, baroh ngi sngewthuh. Kaba eh ban pei hapteng ki Khasi ka long ba hana katba dang iadei na kajuha jaid ym ju bit — ba sang. Ka daw ki shait ong ba dang iamih na kajuha kpoh. Kane kaba shisha, hynrei kaba shisha ruh ba ki briew baroh ha ka pyrthei ki hiar pateng na ki juh ki kmie-ki-kpa u Adam bad ka Im. Baroh ngi ia long shipara kumta ym ia bit shong kha shuh. Kane kam long ka ain kaba biang, bad ngi lyng-

105. U Khasi, Vol. 1, No. 8, March 1929, p. 5.

106. U Nongpynim, No. 18, Nailer 1929, p. 6.

ngoh ba ki Katholik Khasi ki dang khein sang, pyrshah ia ka jinghikai ka Balang.”<sup>107</sup>

Shisha ki lyngdoh Katholik ki la dei ban pynshai shuh shuh ba u Adam bad ka Im kat kum ka Ba:bl ki don khun tang ar ngut ki shynrang. u Kain bad u Abel. U Kain u la pyniap ia u Abel hynrei tang na u Adam, ka Im bad u Kain ka jaidbynriew ka la roi haduh katne. U Kain bad ki pateng jong u ki ia ioh khun ioh kti na no mo ?

Ki Katholik ki la dei ban pynshgain shuh shuh ia la ki Katholik Khasi da kaba shon shuh shuh ia ki “ktien-u blei” na ka Genesis :

“36. Te baroh ar ngut ki khun kynthei u Lot ki la pun khun na la u kpa.

37. Ka khun nyingkong ka kha u khun shynrang, bad ka ai kyrteng Moab ia u : u juh u long thawlang (father) ia ki Moabite haduh kine ki sngi.

38. Bad ka khun kaba kham rit, ka ruh ka kha u khun bad ka ai kyrteng Bén-ám-ni : u juh u long thawlang ia ki khun u Ammon haduh kine ki sngi.”

#### “A — KA JINGKHEÑ - KUR KHEIÑ KHA.

1) *Ha u Khasi.* Kiba la kha na kawei ka kmie, ne na kawei ka kiaw, ne na kawei ka kmie tymmen bad ter-ter, kine baroh, kynthei bad shynrang, shaneng bad sha rum, la katno-katno pateng ruh, ki ki ialong shi-jait ne *shi-kur*.

#### B — KA JINGKHEIN SANG.

1) *Hu u Khasi.* Ban ia shongkurim shikur, u Khasi u khein sang eh ; ym tang ban iashong lang sah lang kum shi tnga, hynrei wat ban shu iahap shi-wat ruh ka long sang.....

#### III. — KA RAI.

1) Haba arngut ki kwah ban iathohshongkurim bad ym don jingpynwit eiei, te ki lah, bad don hok ban iathoh. U Phadar ruh um lah ban khang.

2) Balei ka Balang ka pyniathoh ia kiba long shikur ruh ? Namar — lada ka jingiadeikur jong ki ka palat ia ki lai pateng, kam pynwit shuh, kat kum ka ain lajong — da kaba leh kumta, lah ban pynduna ia ki pop, khamtam haba la iahap kurim lypa.<sup>108</sup>

107. Ka Iing Khristan, Aug. 1939, p. 115.

108. Ka Iing Khristan, January 1938, pp. 179, 180, 181.

Ki khlem pynshai pat ba lai pateng hadien ngin ia khot meina meisan iano, niakha meikha iano, kni pyrsa iano. Sa ban ia bud Phareng — ia u kpa lajong ruh ki khot da ka kyrteng Paul, John etc. , ia ka kmie lajong pat, Veronica, June etc.

Da ka jingsngewskhem bad jingsngewshngain ha kum kitei ki jait jingthoh bun ki briew ha ka jingkwah shongsang bad iamonsang jong ki ki la leit kylla Katholik ban ioh pynskhem ia la ka jingiapoikha sang, bad ki la shu pynbyrsieh ei ia la ka iing.

Kiba ym shem jingsuk mynsiem, wat la kyrkhu da ka niam Kristan ia ka shong - sang jong ki, ki phla ia la ki jingsngewpop lyngba ki shithi sha ki kot khubor :

“Mynshwa haba nga ibha ia ka Muri ka jaid Suting kaba na Nongplit, ngam tip ba ka long ka kmienah jong nga, kaba dei *ka tnga u kpa jong nga*. Ynda nga la tip nga la don ka jingsngewbieit ; hynrei ynda nga la kylli ha ki rangbah Khristan ; ki ong ba ym don jingpher ei ei shuh mynta ha ka niam Khristan. U nongpynthoh kurim ruh um don jingong ei ei ba ka long kaba sang .....ngam don jingsuk shuh ban ia shong ryngkat.” <sup>109</sup>

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109. U Khasi Mynta, No. 98, Kyllalyngkot, 1905, p. 8.

## VII. KA JINGNGEW KRISTAN.

Ia u khun Khasi-khara, ki Kristan - bad Presbyterian bad Katholik bad Trumpet etc.,—ki da kam ia u kum ka dewshrah mar-kynti jong ki ban ioh puh ioh lur ban bet symbai Baibl bad ban pynheh la ka niam. Haba i Bah Macdonald Kongor i la long President ia ka Saraswati Puja ha Shillong ha ka snem 1929, la mih bun ki jingthoh bad jingkynthoh pyorem ia kata ka jingleit iasnoh kti lang jong i bad ki kam leh niam ki Hindu.<sup>110</sup> Haba wan u Lala Lajpat Rai sha Shillong ban ia kynduh ia ki Khasi nylla ki da kyntoh:

“Ngi la pule ha ka kot khubor Times of Assam ba U Lala Lajpat Rai uwei na ki rangbah Congress ki nongbud U Mahatma Gandhi u la wan ha Shillong ha u April, bad u la iathuh ha kiwei ki shnong ha Assam ba u la sngewhun ia ka jingwan kai jong u ha Shillong namar u la iashem bad ki rangbah Khasi (bym long Kristan) bad u la pynsngewthuh ha kine ki rangbah ia ka jingmut jong ki Hindu kaba ki sngew shaphang ki Khasi; bad la thoh ba kine ki rangbah Khasi ki la duh ia la ka jingsngew sheptieng shaphang ki Hindu. La thoh ba u la ai Rs. 50/-(san phew tyngka) ha ka jingkynshew-namar ba thaw skul ki rangbah Khasi bym long Kristan. Kane ka skul lehse ka long kaba ha Seng Khasi kaba pyn-iaid U Babu Rashmohon Roy.

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Haduh katno ki rangbah Khasi kin iajan bad ki Hindu ngim nang pyrkhata satia. Ngim tip katno kan don ka jing-myntoi na ka jingialang ne iajan kaba kum kane.”<sup>111</sup>

Ha ka por Durga Puja, 1978, kawei ka kotkhubor Khasi kaba shit rhem niam Kristan bha ka da thoh bynniew kumne:

“La report da u Nongai Khubor jong ngi ba ha kane ka Puja Dkhar kaba dang shu dep hynnin la iohi ba don bun ki paid Khasi Khara kiba leit sha iing buh blei ki da nguh arti ia ki blei ba la buh hangta. Don de kiba iashim tika rong syndur na ki rangbah nonglehniam kiba ia ai ia ki bad tah de ha la ki jong ki shyllangmat. Nalor kane la iohi ba

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110. U Woh, Vol. II, No. 7, July 1929.

111. Ka Jingshai ka Gospel May 1925 pp.7, 8.

bun ki Khasi ki ia iaid sharum shaneng hapdeng u paidbyn-  
riew Dkhar ba shlei ha Sor Shillong naduh ba sdangi ki sngi  
puja"?!?

Ha ka sngi bret blai—

“kaba phylla ban iohi ba ki jong ngi ruh kiba bun k<sup>i</sup>  
ialsit poit kai blei puja,”?!?

Ngim sngewthuh kein balei “ngim nang pyrkhath satia” ne  
ban sngewpl ylla lada ki Khasi nylla ne Khasi kylla ki ia don lang  
ha ka loh niam ki Hindu ne ki Muslim lada ngim sngewphylla  
haba ki ia sngewbha lang ha ki sngi Khristmas\* bad iaid Proces-  
sion Bishop. Hangtai ki ia tah tika hangne pat ki ia doh ha  
kjat u “mistletoe” bad shah synreit um-kyrkhu ha u Bishop.  
**Lait noh na ka niam tynrai lajong baroh kiwei pat ki niam ki dei  
ki niammynder. Burom ia ka jong kiwei sa lei haba nang ban  
ri bad kdup, ieit, burom bad niewkor bad neh skhem ha la ka jong?**

Ngi ieit ia ka Ri Khasi-Synteng namar ba ka dei ka rympei  
ka jaidbynrrew khein-kur khein-kha, tip-kur tip-kha tip-briew tip-  
Blei. Ngi ieit ia ka Meghalaya namar ba ka Ri u 7 Skum u 7  
Trep ka don hapoh ki sawdong pud jong ka. Hynrei ki don katto  
katne ki Kristan-sngew-ha-nga-mei bad khwan-lade-ha-ka-niam  
kiba kam nongkynti Hima Kristan wat ia kane ka Ri ruh. U  
“Lum Shyllong”, ka kot khubor jong uwei na ki riewpawkhmat  
ka ri ka la thoh:

“Ka jingsngew jong kiba bun ba kim mon ia ka jingpyn-  
long Election ha une u bnai ka long namar ba ki sngew ba  
kiba kham bun na ki nongshongsanong ha ri Khasi ki dei  
ki Kristan namar kata ki sngew ba ka Meghalaya hi ka long  
ka “Christian State.” 114

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112. Ka Pyrta u Riewlum, Vol. XXIII, No. 70, 12th Oct. 1978.

113. *ibid.*

114. U Lum Shyllong (Ed: B. Lanong), Vol. II, No. 18, Dec. 14, 1978,  
p. 4.

\***Khmih bha:** Ia u Jisu Khrist khlem da kha ha ka 25 tarik u December. Ym  
don ba tip ba kha ia u ha kano ka sngi, ha uno u bnai, ne ha kano ka snem.  
Ki Kristan hyndai ki shu pynhap noh ia ka sngikha ha ka 25 tarik namar ba  
kadei ka sngi bakhraw jong bun ki niamhyndai, ba ka dei ka sngi ba la kyndit  
thiah biang ka mariang naba la sdang jrong biang ka sngi bneng. U dieng  
kseh Khristmas bad u soh Khristmas ki dei ki jingpynriam ba ki Kristan hyn-  
dai ki shu shim na ki niam hyndai bad shu pynsoh ha ka leh sngewbha  
Khristmas.



Ha kawei pat ka sngi katei kajuha ka kot khubor ka la thoh?

**“Meghalaya”—Ka ri Khristan?**

Ka pyrthei Indira ka niew ba ka Meghalaya ba ka dei ka Ri Khristan. Ka long shisha kumta haba bishar mangi u luk u lak, u trai muluk trai jaka na kiba bun ki liang. Naduh u Chief Minister, Dy. Chief Minister, Speaker bad kham bun na ki para Minister ki long ki Khristan. Kham bun na ki nongtrei kam Sorkar ruh ki dei ki Khristan. Ka jinglong jingim tip briew tip blei, jeng u Achik bad u Hynniew Trep Hynniew Skum ka shlong lyngngeit ha kawei pa kawei ka lyngwiar dpei. Shuh shuh ka jingialang paitbah kaba la long ha Madan Malki ha ka 7. 9. 78 ban pynpaw ia ka jingiapyrshah ia ka Ain Adong Pynlong Niam ha Arunachal Pradesh ka la nang pynskhem shuh shuh ba ka Meghalaya ka dei ka Ri Khristan.”<sup>115</sup>

Ha ka kot khubor “Ka Pyrta u Riewlum” ruh uwei “U Raitong” u la thoh shithi kumne:

**“Ka Jingsynshar Khristan ha Meghalaya”**

Ia ka Meghalaya la khot ka ‘Jylla Khristan’ (‘Christian State’) namar la synshar ia ka da ki Kristan. Naduh u Chief Minister haduh bad baroh kiwei pat ki Minister ki dei ki Khristan (lait noh tang uwei bad ar ngut eh kiwei pat ki Minister). Shwa ban kha ia ka Meghalaya. Ia kine ki lum Khasi Pnar bad Garo, la ju synshar da ki Dkhar Assamese jong ka Jylla Assam. Ki Assamese ki dei ki ‘khar Hindu bad Muslim.

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Haba ka sorkar India ka la pynbna ban ai ia ka AUTONOMOUS STATE ha ka 2nd April, 1970, baroh ki BAJE HA KI IINGMANE KHRISTAN (ki jaid Balang baroh) HAPOH SOR SHILLONG KI RIEW SNGEWTYNNAT HA KA SHITENG SYNIA JONG KA SHI TARIK APRIL 1970 da ka jingkmien ba khraw bad ka jingkyrmen kaba dap namar ba la ioh ban synshar ia la ki briew da ki Khristan kiba dawa ialade ba ki dei ki ‘riew tip blei tip briew. Ia kane ka jingkyrmen la nang pynskhem shuh da ka jingai State pura ha u January 1972. Mynta namarkata, la synshar ia ki Khasi Pnar bad Garo (kiba kham bun na ki ki dei ki Khristan) da ki Minister Khristan kiba long kat kum ka jingkwah bad jingkyrmen jong ki briew baroh ha ka ri.”<sup>116</sup>

115. U Lum Shyllong, Vol. II, No. 19, Dec. 23, 1978, p. 2.

116. Ka Pyrta u Riewlum, Vol. XXIV, No. 2, 8th Jan. 1979.

Kitei ki nongthoh ha ki kot khubor kim khien ne kim tip ba bun na ki Khasi bad Garo ki dang bat ia la ka niam tynrai bad ba ngi ki Khasi ngi sngewpap sngewsang ban khot 'Jylla Kristan' ia ka Ri Um Snam U Ni U Kong? Ngì khlem da ia jied ia ki Chief Minister etc., namar ba ki dei ki Kristan.

Haba ngi ia phai biang sia ka 'conscience' ne 'jingiatiplem' u John Robert, ki jingkvlla jong ki por ki long ki nuksa ba shynna bi u Khasi uba ha ka por hyndai u da thew da khia ia kaba dei bad ki bam dei u la kyila sniang bad u la shu tyllun bad kynrei ktie bad kysum ha ki kim runar bad kam sang kiba um ju nud wat tang ban pasaw ruh mynshuwa U la sah ka jinglong Khasi tang ha ka syrngiew.

"Ka long kaba shai ba u Dr. Roberts u la ong ba ki Khasi (kum ka kynja Khasi) ki tuh, ki lamler, pyniap, klim, bad leh kiwei kiwei ki kam bamman khlem da sngewthuh ne tip ba ki leh bamdei kata ka long, kumba u la ong, ki bam don jingiatiplem bad namar kata ki long kiba khlem kata ka niam tynrai (natural religion) kaba u Blei u la ai man ha ka kynja mynsiem briew ha kane ka pyrthei. Na kane man u briew uba don ka jingiatiplem bad ka jingbishar ha la ka mynsiem u lah ban ring jingmat ba ki Khasi kim dei ki briew hynrei ki long ki mrad. Kunta ka jingkren u Dr. Roberts kaba u la kren ha Oswestry, England (kynmaw ba u kren ha ka ri nongwai ym ha Khasi ha khmat jong ngi), ba ong ba u thaw jingiatiplem ha ka dohnud ki Khasi ka long ka ba runar bad ka bamkok . . . . Ka long kaba shisha, bad ka ban kohnguh ruh da ki Khasi shisha (Kristan bad bam long Kristan) baroh, ba kum u paidbah, ka jinglong hok ne long bha jong ki Khasi hyndai ka kham palat ban ia ki Khasi (Kristan bad bam long Kristan) jong kane ka juk."<sup>117</sup>

U John Roberts hi patde, uba la kam ba u wan thaw "conscience" ha ri Khasi ha ka snem 1896, u la thoh pat kumne ha ka snem 1901:

"Ha ki bun rukom, ka long kaba shisha ba ia ka jing-bat hok ba-rim ym shym la bat shuh bun kiba la mlien dih ia ka lad phareng, bad ia ka jingklím la khein kum ka pop kaba sting shisha. Wat hapdeng katto katne ki Kristan ia ka sngi U Trai la hiew sting, bad kumta ruh ia ka pop ka jingklím... Ki briew ki Ioh-i katno ba bun na ki Phareng (kiba khot Ialade ki Kristan) ki im, kumno ki pynlong ia ka Sngi U Blei (Sunday) ba kan long ka sngi ia leh kai bad bam khana, katno ki khynnah kynthei Khasi la pynsniew khnang ban pyn-

hun ia ka jingkwah awria, bad katno ka ri la paw ki dak da ki khun kiba mih na kane ka jingiasoh ba'm dei. Ha khmat kine kiei kiei ngi lah ban phylla ba ia ka jingbat-hok barim bam shym la bat shuh?"<sup>118</sup>

U John Roberts bad ki kynhun jong u ha ka jaka ba kin thaw "conscience" kumba u la kop, imat ki la bsut pynban ka mynsiem runar ha u Khasi-kylla-niam ban tap lup ia ka "conscience" kaba, ha ka jingshisha, u la ju don bad kaba u da khein kum ka bynta jong ka niam tip-hok tip-Blei jong u.

Ki Khasi kylla niam imat haba ki la kylla Kristan ki da sngew dei ruh ban pyrthuh ia ka rukom im bad leh ki Missionary Phareng ki jong ki — naduh hyndai haduh ki por mynta:

**"Ka jingshongkurim Kristan banynghong ha ri Khasi Synteng**

"Ka long lehse hajan bakut ka snem 1849 lane haba dang sdang ka snem 1850, katba ngi lah ban bud dien, hapdeng u Luh bad ka Phuh.....Ynda la dep ka niam ka rukom, ki lok ki jor baroh ki la ialum lang ban iabam iadih bad la pynshong ryntih ia ki ha ki ben bad ha khmat jong ki ka don ka miej kaba heh, bad la buh kawei ka pliang bad kawei ka siang (shamoit) na ka bynta uwei u briew. Ngii lah ban thaw dur ha ka jingmut ia ita i kynhun barit ba i iabam iadih ha ka miej bad da ka siang, iba la ju mlien ban bam shong kynrong bad da ka kti ha madan. Katno ka jingiasngewbha bad jingtamsa ka long hapdcug ka jingiabam namar don uba tian ia ka ja sha ka khmut don uba sha ka tmoh bad don de uba, lehse u khan thamula artat, u bat ia ka shamoit na sha kaba lhon bad u tong ia ka ja da ka jingbat. Ka jingkhawai kam dei ka ja ka doh hinrei ka ja ka dohkha bad lehse uba jnang ruh uwei ar u la don hi."<sup>119</sup>

"Da kumno u khun Khasi ula kiew haduh katne ha ka jinghikai pule kot ? Ka long da ka jingwallam ki Missionary ban pule da ki dak Phareng bad ban thoh ha ka ktien Khasi. Ka daw kaba kongsan eb dei ka jingbtit bad ka jingbysngewlehrain ne sngewrem ban bud ia ka jinghikai ki Dohlieh. Ula bud thik ha kiei kiei baroh bad teng teng haduh ba la kham i palat pynban, kum u khynnah skul uba la bud thikna bha ia u nonghikai. Peit ha ka riam ka beit dang duna aiu pat bad u Dohlieh, ki rukom phong jain phong nep ki duna aiu bad kiba kumno ba u Khasi um tip ? Kaba da i dait bha ruh khwain; teng teng la kum ki Sahep dur catalogue

118. U Khasi Mynta (Ka shithi u John Roberts sha ka "Harvest Field") No. 65, Kyllalyngkot 1902, pp.8,9.

119. U Lurshai, Vol. XIV, No. 4, March 1925, p. 4.

(Katalok). Lada la kum spong te la kum tharai shakri bearer (be-rar) pynban ho ! Ha ka ktien Phareng ruh u la pnah phngar, u da tbit shisha— Ban kren phareng u Dkhar ne u Madrasi shisyndon phin sngewthuh u dei uei, hynrei la dang kren u Khasi u la eh byn pyniapher ! Lehse teng-teng wat u Englishman un ym lap ban kem ha ka jingkyonoh, la kumba pynmareh kulai u John Gilpin sa ka smin-smin bad swia-swas. Ban poit ia ka riam la beit la kum u sahep khun, Ban khot kyrteng 'U' waw la iap. Kumjuh ruh ban khot 'Ka' waw la sngew-synei sat. Peit ia ki Burma wat la kila bat ia ka kyrdan nongbishar ruh pynban kim iehnoh ia ka ktien 'U' haba ki soi kyrteng bad tang shu iohi ia ka 'U' la sngewthuh ba dei u Burma. A ka Ri jong ngi, ka la kiew than, kalong kaba ma ioh kylla pyrdet pynban, bad ym ia tip shuh ne phohsniew ba dei u jaid Khasi lada ym da ithuh lypa ia u." <sup>120</sup>

Ha kine ki por la dei ban thoh shuh shuh shaphang ka beit Dohlieh jong ki Khasi. Ki nongialapniam haba ki kiew ha pulpit ki pule ia ki lynnong bad ki kren ielap ha ka ktien Khasi lajong hynrei ki ring sur bad ring kynnoh kum ki Sahep Phajri na Wales, na Italy, na America ne na kiwei kiwei pat ki ri Dohlieh. Ki da pyrthuh ruh ia ki Sahep Phajri kiba ki kham burom bad sngewiahap jingmut naduh ka rukom iaid haduh ka tyngkhap Baibl.

Ha ka 1901 u John Roberts u la phla ba "katno ki khynnəh-kynthei Khasi la pynsniew khnang ban pynhun ia ka jingkwah awria" ki Phareng. Hynrei ia kum kitei ki kynthei, kiba ngi ju sin ki "mem-bakan" bad ia ki khun-kliar, khun-tuh jong ki ki Khasi ki da buh ha ka kyrdan kaba kham halor jait ba ki la ia kyrshut bad byrthit Dohlieh. Hynrei ia ki kmie Khasi bad ia ki khun Kpa-dkhar kiba da ia poi kha ha ka burom, da ka jingiatiplem kiba ha iing ha sem bad da ia sngewbha lang, ki Khasi 'riewshai' ki buh ia ki ha ka kyrdan kaba poh!

Ka jingshaniah ia ki Phajri Dohlieh ba ki long ki "shakri-jong-u-blei-ba-im" ka skhem haduh katta katta ba ki kmie ki kpa Kristan ki shah bad ailad ia ki khun kynthei samla lajong ba kin leit shong shngain bad leit shang kai bam lyer bad leit sah ha ki Hotel Bah kylleng ka ri lang bad ki "shakri-jong-u-blei-ba-im" haba ki tnga jong ki kim don ba ki leit khmih bahaiing sha shiliang duriaw. Haba poi kylli ia ki kumno kum ki "shakri-jong-u-blei-ba-im" bad kum ki nongngeit skhem ha ka Baibl ki ia ngat ha ki kam runar kam sang bad ki kam bam don-hok don-blei, ki said lait da kaba pynsakhi da ka Baibl hi : "Ka doh ka tlot hyn-

rei ka mynsiem ka khlain." Haba jia ba paw pyrthei ki kam runar jong ki shu jah burom ei ka iing ki kmie ki kpa ba lui lui.

Haba shu sngap tang na ki kyrteng jaid la shitom ban tip ba u briew ne ka briew ki dei ki Khasi ne ki Dohlieh — ki Dkhar ki kylla Dykes ki Dkhar Sawian ki D'Sawyan, ki Khongwir ki Cunville, ki Nonglait ki Nuncloyd, ki Khain ki Chyne, ki Sun ki Soanes, ki Bang ki Banks ki Rapbon ki Radborne, ki Rajen Roy ki Roy Rowlands bad bun shuh shuh.

Haduh mvnta ruh ka mynsiem mraw-Dohlieh ka dang shu sah hi. Ha ka ia tyrneng Phareng ia la ki Kiaw ki Kthaw ruh ki la khot noh Mei bad Pa, Mummy bad Daddy, khlem buh jingmut shuh ba ngi ki Khasi ngi khein sang ban khot ne kam kulmar ba ioh bakla ka iatip-kha iatip-man hadien habud, ba ioh bakla ka ka jer ka thoh, ha ka poikha poiman, ha ka pynkham pynsoh bad ha kiwei kiwei de ki kam leh niam.

Naduh ba wan hukai "conscience" u John Roberts, ki Khasi ki la pyndonkam ia ka niam Kristan ka atiar ban ioh jingmyntoi. Don kiba leit kylla Kristan tang ban kham sngew Phareng bad ban long "riewshai". Ha ki por ba dang sdang wan ka niam Kristan bun kiba kylla niam tang ban ioh leit pule Theology sha Nongsawlia.

"Lajan baroh ki Bhoi kiba wan pule *Thiologi* na Nongsawlia ki háp noh ha ka klad bad ka awria ki tang shu la leit la leit sha la ri Bhoi ban leit hukai. Ka daw jong kane, katba shu tharai ka long (1) Ba haba jied ia ki, la shu jied da ki briew -- tang uba la treh ban wan, la khot sngewbha, khlem da bishar shaphang ka jinglong bablia-basniew (morality) jong u (2) Ba ka jingtip kaba rit eh ha ki briew ki babieit ka long ka ban pynjot. Ki lok Bhoi... ynda haba la phah ia ki hapdeng ki para Bhoi, ka jingsarong ka la mih kyrthep, namar ba ki sngew ym don shuh "tang ma-nga." 121

Haba ngi pule ia katei ka jingthoh ngi snnewsyncei ia kita ki Bhoi. Ha ka jaka ba kin lap ia kata ka jingshai bakhui ba ialap ki Sahep sngewmat kham snoh pynban ki kam ksuid ki "riewbneng". Ha ka jaka ban iapbieit ia ka Hima Bneng ki la ia noh pynban sha ka Hima u Suidtan kaba kham thaba phyrnai da ki jingpynshoi kiba kim pat ju iohsngew ne iohi ka ba ki dang im matlah tliw tliw ha la ka jong ka niam tad haduh kin da ioh pule ia ki puriskam Baibl bad kin da iohi ia ka rukom im ki "riewshai".

Bun pat ha ki por mynshuwa kiba long Kristan lane shu kam ba ki long Kristan tang ban ioh Certificate na ki Sahep Phajri ban ioh bai bam ha skul ne ban ioh rung kam Sorkar. Don pat ki snam Khasi pakka kiba da kam syndon ba ki dei ki Anglo-Indian Kristan — ba sngewkhain, khlem pyrkhat ia ka jingjahburom ki kmie ki kpa Khasi lajong. Don kiba kylla Kristan, khlem don jingngeit ha ka Baibl tang namar ba ki ibha ia ka ne u Kristan, ne ban ioh shongkurim para bam iabit ; tang namar ban ioh ia iaidd shongshit hai hai ha ki sngi Sunday, ha ki por khawai Kristmas lane iaidd Procession-synreit-umkhuid ; lane tang ban ioh jingmyn-toi phah skul khlem lut pisa ia la ki khun; lane ban ioh sah-ei bam-ei ynda la tymmen ha ki "Iing-tymmen (Old People's Homes) kum kiba khlem kur khlem jaid; lane kumba jubab ka-wei ka ayah : "It is good because when I am ill the *padre* comes and reads in a book and gives *dawai* (medicine) and when I die they will put me in a very fine "bakkus" and give me a good funeral." (Census of India, Vol III, Assam Part I — Report, 1931, p. 195). Baroh ki kylla ym namar ban shem-hok shem-Blei hynrei tang ba ia beh ia ka rongphong, bad ka myntoi-im-shong pyr-thei, bad ban kyrsum ha ka sang.

U Khasi Hyndai u ri u sumar u iarap ia la ki kur ki jaid. Ym ju don ba khrong naba jynjar, namar tang shu tip ba dei na kata kata ka kur ne ka jaid ki kur ki la leit khot ban sumar, ba ioh paw khlemrain la ka kur, ba shah kren bein sa ha uba iaidd sharud shakiar. Khrong tang u khlem-kur ne u dakait u runar ne u khi-lai-nuid ba la kyntait ka kur lajong bad ba la shah beh shnong. Hynrei kine baroh ki la kylla naduh ba u Khasi u la ioh ka jingtip shaphang ka "conscience" bad ka "ktien-u-blei" na ki Sahep Mishionari.

Katno ka jingduh bad jingtroin ka jaidbynriew Khasi, nadong shadong, ha ka ngeit Blei ieit Blei, ha ka tip-briew tip-Blei, ha ka long briew man briew, ha ka long iing long sem, ha ka im lang sah lang, ha ka jingiatiplem, ha ka synshar khadar bad shuh shuh, tang namar ba ki pateng kiba shuwa ki la shah pynlamwir ha ki mynder shipor na sha shiliang duriaw !

## VIII. I BAH RED HA SENG KHASI.

Haba ka la paw pyrthei ba ki jingthmu jong ki Kristan bad ki jingthmu jong ka Seng Khasi ki iapher bad ki iapyrshah kum ka miet bad ka sngi, ki Kristan bad ki nongseng jong ka Seng Khasi ki la iaiaid noh la ki lynti. Ha kawei na ki jing-kren jong i ha Seng Khasi i Bah Red i la ong:

“Ka kylla niam ka la pynkulmar shibun eh ia ngi u khun Khasi Da kane duh ka burom Khasi, duh ka sneng Khasi, duh ka niam Khasi. Ka la pharia ia uwei u briew ka kti la la ka jong ka kjat la la ka jong, ym lah pyndait shuh. Ka jingikwah thala ka long kumba tynneng briew u mrad bad mrad u briew, briew ruh ym long mrad ruh ym long. Sah marwei hapdeng khlem don ba kam.”<sup>122</sup>

Kumba ngi la iohi sha khmat, ki jingthoh, ki jingkren bad ki jinghikai ki Kristan ki la pynjur shuh shuh ia ka jingiasngewjngai katba dang iaiaid ki snem bad ki por. Ka Seng Khasi ka la kylla long ka nongri, nongsumar, nongda, nongkor ia ka niam Khasi bad ia ka “culture” u Khasi. Ki Rambah ki la iehnoh ia ka “kham ialeh jan bad ki X-tian Methodist” bad ki la pynieng ia ka Seng Khasi halor kine ki Tynrai:

1. Ka jingialang u kur u kha uba bat kat kum ka jingkhien-kur khein-kha u Longshuwa-Manshuwa u Khun Khasi.
2. Ka jingwanlongbriew ha pyrthei ban kamai ia ka Hok.
3. Ka jinglong tip-kur, tip-briew bad tip-Blei.
4. Ka jingngait ha U Blei U Trai Kynrad, U Nongthaw U Nongbuh, U Balah U Baiai.

I Bah Red i la pynpaw ia la ka jingsngew lajong shaphang ka Seng Khasi bad la ka jaidbynriew ha bun ki jingkren bad ki jingthoh jong i:

“Da kane ka Seng Khasi ngi lah ban pyni ba ngi ieit ia la ka Ri bad tang da kane ka lad ba ngi lah ban pynneh bad kyntieu ia ki akor ba hok bad ba khuid ki Khasi Hyndai.”<sup>123</sup>

“Ka Seng Khasi ka long ka Kongress jong baroh ki khun Khasi kat kiba bat ia ka ‘khein kur khein kha’ na ka liang ka kmie, ka hok kaba ieng naduh nyngkong ka sngi ba la

122. Roy, R.M.—Ka jingkren ha Seng Kut Snem - 23.11.1907.

123. Roy, R.M.—Ka jingkren ha Seng Shiteng Snem - 10th June 1911.

thau brieu ha pyrthei Ki khun Khasi ki long ki brieu kiba  
 laitluid-kiba lait na ki bunjait jingkyndiah sang bad jing-  
 thaujait lamler kum na ka kam thiu kyrdan jait brieu, ka  
 kam bam-bit-iapynde uwei-ia-uwei bad ka kam set pyrda ia  
 ki kynthei brieu bao na kum kita ter-ter bun bun shuh....  
 Hapdeng ngi ki khun Khasi ngim shym duk seng-shonglang-  
 sahang bad ki Khasi kim donkam ban leit kynthup khum-  
 paidngeit ba dang wan poishalan na ki Ri Nongwei bad  
 khamakha ban leit long kylla ki nongngeit matlah ia  
 ki jingiangait bad ia ki jinghikai-thau-bor-hi jong ki  
 nongwei." 124

Ia la ka jingieit bad jingshaniah ha ka Seng Khasi ban  
 pynim biang bad ban pynsan irat ia ka jaid bynriew i Bah Red  
 i thoh kumne;

"Ko para khun ka ri ba tip kur tip kha,  
 Ale kynrad ha Seng Khasi ban biang lut shisha,  
 Nangne kein na Seng Khasi, ngin pynbiang la riti,  
 Ban don dur i longkur i longkha niam Khasi.

Para kur para kha ba tip Thawlang Iawbei,  
 Ale kynrad ha Seng ngin ialang kawci,  
 Da 'tien thiang 'tien bang ngin ia seng pynshai,  
 I dur Thawlang Iawbei ban biang janai.

Haba ia ieit ia biang para kur para kha,  
 Ka im ka koit ka shu biang khlem bira,  
 Ka spah ka hajar ka shu roi shu pa,  
 Ka Bor Blei ruh phyrnai kum ksiar rupa  
 ..... " 125

Kat shaba i leit kat shaba i don i kynmaw ieit hir hir  
 ia la ka Seng Khasi. La ki ia don tang khyndiat ngut shapoh  
 Dacca, ha ka gor ba kynriah noh ka Nongbah, i khlem klet ia  
 ka Seng Khasi Ha ka sngi Seng Kut Snem u Rangbah Nalak  
 Singh langblah u la pah ka shithi na Dacca sha ka Seng Khasi:

"Ka long kaba sngewbha shibun eh bad sngewnguh ruh  
 ia ka jingkyngmaw im sngi i Rash Mohon Roy ia ka Seng  
 namar ba i la pynkhih ia ki dohnud jong ngi ban pynlong  
 jingialang hangne na ka bynta ka seng kut snem. I Rash  
 Mohon Roy hi i long iba kham san hapdeng jong ngi ki  
 riwieseng Khasi kiba la poi sohshnong shane sha Dacca." 126

124. Roy, R.M.—Ka Jingkren Seng Kut Snem - 23rd Nov. 1938.

125. Roy, R.M.—"Ka Jingpyrta ha Seng" (1912) - unpublished.

126. Ka shithi na u Nalak Singh langblah sha Seng Khasi na Dacca dated  
 23 tarik u Naiwieng 1911.



Ka Seng Khasi ruh ka pynpaw ia ka jingkordor ka jingiatrei-lang jong i Bah Red hapoh Seng da kaba kynthoh knmne ha kawei na ki Report:

“Ka Seng ka duwai ia U Blei Trai Kynrad ba un i snei ban pynim slem kum ia u Rash Mohon Roy uba long u nongia-lam bad pynshit kum ia kane ka kam bha ba leit ia pyni shabar shnong.” <sup>127</sup>

Hapoh Seng bad shabar shnong i iai kren iai sneng ia para kur para kha:

“*Ka kyrni dih kiad:* Ka la pynkhlemrain khlemakor haduh bam khein shuh iano iano ruh—ym don kur don tnga, ym don lok don jor bad ym don ei-ei ha u - hynrei tang i dih hi kein.”

“*Ka syad iakhalai* ruh ka la shi byrsih noh teh ha ngi u khun Khasi naduh u khynnah haduh u Rangbah, hynrei ki tymmen Khasi ki ju ong bam ju bit khleh lang ka tyngka ia khalai bad ka tyangka kamai hok ba long byrsih.” <sup>128</sup>

*Ia ki Missionary:* “Ki long ki nongpynshoi ban kylla na ki Riti Hok sha ka Raibi jot. Ym dei ban ia iehnoh ia la ka Riti Hok. Wat kyrmen ba u nongwei shi sngi ba un wan sneng babha bad khlem jingmyntoi.” <sup>129</sup>

“La hyndai ho ki tien tymmen la ong,  
Iiei ia iwtung ka sniew kiar sawdong;  
Tyngkai niewkor kynrad la i hok lajong  
Ia ine kein kynrad, ieit niewkor kyndong.

A Kynrad! Shisien peit liep sa ban jaw ummat,  
Ki Akor bad tientymmen Khasi kin sa liem sa pat;  
Mano bad di kumno ban kyrsiew ia kita,  
Hei Kynrad! u sepngi u mihngi u ban thaw bira.” <sup>130</sup>

I Bah Red i da iam bynniaw ba shah pynshad pynshoi ka jaid bynriew lajong ha u mihngi u sepngi:

“Sha balci kat kane ia phi,  
Wa balei sha ki leh mynthi;  
Sha mano pat ban sa khamti,  
Wa mano pat ban kit tylli !

127. Seng Khasi Report - 1915-16.

128. Roy, R.M.—Ka jingkren ha Seng Kut Snem - 23.11.1907.

129. Roy, R.M.—Ka jingkren Seng Shiteng Snem - 23.5.1915.

130. Roy, R.M.—“Seng Kut Snem” - 27.11.1912.

Ri Khasi Synteng ba pyngnad,  
 Kumao kumne ia phi pynkylla nongbuaid;  
 Ri Khasi Synteng ba biang hyndai,  
 Balei kumne imat yn sa duh symbai!

AH Khun ka Ri ba biang ka niam,  
 AH Khun ka Ri ba don la ka riam;  
 AH Khun ka Ri ba don akor hok,  
 AH Khun ka Ri ba isih ia ka thok !

Shisynpeit liep pangnud ka mynsiem,  
 Ba ki mynta nang pynduh ia ka rim;  
 Kat shaba iaid kat shaba leit,  
 La baiong ngain ki khmat ban peit.

Ia 'tin tymmen ki long shuwa man shuwa,  
 Ha ki mynta kylla tasam kylla nongra;  
 I iing ne i kur shu nini nana,  
 Man u briew shu tei lade ha makna.

Iohi te nabar ia ki lok wad lad,  
 La i hok lajong ki sdang pynblad;  
 Shu re re ka mut shu kynruh kynrang,  
 Ia la kur ia la iing thad kyrwang.

Wei poi u Nongwei shi sngi hangne,  
 Ki lok wad lad ha phrang da lade;  
 Lyndet noh ia la Thawlang Iawbei,  
 Iehnoh syndon ia la I Pa I Mei!

AH Kynrad phi kyrmen ban bha,  
 AH Kynrad phin poi ha kynsha;  
 Ah Kynrad u nongwei u khroh,  
 Ah Kynrad ioh poi ha u nongshohnoh!

Ia jingstad kylleng yn ia wad,  
 Ia jingstad kyntur kum kyndad;  
 Ia jingstad wat thait ka jingmut,  
 Ia jingstad imsngi khlem kut.

Mynta kumne Seng Khasi la mih,  
 Iaei pat sharum shaneng ban khmih;  
 Kein noh ka wir makia shawei,  
 Ioh byrsieh ei mynta ne lawei.

Kyrhen kawei ka pyrthoi thaw u Blei,  
 Ka hok ruh thaw u Blei tang kawei;  
 Ki niam rukom ki 'men hyndai,  
 Mynta ma ngi tang ban tyngkai." 131

Ban neh ka shad ka kmen u khun Khasi Khara da kaba u pynpaw ia ka jingaingu u khunbynriew ia U Nongthaw Nongbuh, shi sien shi snem, ka Seng Khasi ka la pynlong ia ka Shad Suk Mynsiem. Ngi kynmaw ia ki por ba i Bah Red i shad ialam lyn-ti ia ka shad-wait-wanphai na Weiking sha iing Seng Khasi. Itei ha khmat ha khmat shiliang ka waitmastieh bad shiliang ka stieh, katba ki dang phawar artad:

"Ka nam te ka jong no ho, ka nam te U Trai Nongthaw  
 Thaw ruh MaMe te ba buh ruh ko Ma Me,  
 Katne ka shi byllien te katne ko shi byrhai;  
 Ngi shad ko te balei, ngi shad ba la buh la thaw da ba biang;  
 Ngin ia ithuh te shi kyrhai ho kynrad kum shi para wei mei-  
 wei-pa  
 Ka akor babha badon burom te hei ngin ia iaid para briew.  
 Ka niam mane ka niam burom ia u tymmen u san ho ngim  
 ban ia klet  
 Ka niam nguh niam la meikha pakha ho ngim bit ban ia lyndet,  
 Ban koit ban nang ban phuh ban phieng ho ngin ia shad ko  
 suk mynsiem,  
 Kan eh ka mat ka pung ho ban khraw u synniang u bynhei  
 bahok,

..... bad ter ter ..... "132

Kumta ka phawar ka iaid shaid shi shaid. Kiba bud lynti bad la ki wait ki symphiah ki ia kynhoi kynkiew haduh lan da poi ha iing Seng top. Ki Kristan te ha kitei ki por ba dang khlain i Bah Red ki dang khein sang bha ban peit shad Khasi. Ki da shong khop khop hapoh la iing ha ki sngi shad. Lada kum lap ki nongshad ha lynti ki da phai dien wak - khmat sha kynroh.

Ki Kristan kim sngew biang tang ban khang ia ki para-ba-ngeit ba kin ym shad ne leit peit shad Khasi, hynrei ki da pynmih ruh da ki kam ki ban pynwit. Ha ka snem 1911. i Bah Red, kum u Secretary jong ka Seng Khasi i la leit ai kawei ka shithi uxor sha u Deputy Commissioner ba ki Kristan ki la tap jaka lum-jing-tep Jaiaw shaphang ki Mawbyinna; bad ba ki la pynmong ia ka jingsngew ki Khasi-niam-tyndrai da kaba ker klum hapoh ka jaka tep briew ia ki Mawbyinna; da kaba ki la khang noh ia ka lynti iaid briew kaba ju don; bad da kaba ki pyndonkam ia ki maw kiba

131. Roy, R.M.—"Seng Kut Snem" - 27.11.1910.

132. U Nongphira, No. 113, Ialong 1911, pp. 139, 140.

ki la kynrang na ka pep-bah kaba don hangta ban tei ia ka kynroh. I da phah ruh da ki dur kiba pyni ia ki nongpeit Shad Weiking ba ki iaid na katei ka lynti, ba pyni ia Mawbyinna ba la klum ha poh lum jingtep, bad ia ka kpep-bah.

**“Ka kam ker kut ia ki mawbyinna bad rah mau na kpep-bah ki brieu ha Lum Weiking, Maukhar. - Ki Methodist Maukhar - nongialam u Mr. J.C. Evans - ki la leh kaba sang bad ibein ia ka niam Khasi da kaba leit ker ia ki maubynna-niam ki briu ha la poh kut ka jaka thau-jingtep briu la jong bad pyn-dam bad lynti syngkieng. Ki Khasi ki la ia ong ban nym leh kumta, hynrei u Mr. J. C. Evans u la, ki ong, mana pyn-ban ia ki khynnah Khasi ban nym iaid shuh sha kata ka lynti hyndai naba la khang ma u, bad u la pynker kynroh da ki mau kiba na ka kpep-bah kaba la don bun ki mau kjat hajan hangta hi.**

Na kata, mynta ki Khasi ki la sngusih haduh ba ha une u bnai 18th April 1911 ki leit mudui noh ha ka Katshari u Deputy Commissioner, Shillong, ba ki Methodist kin nym leh be-ain kumne bad ba kin leit kit biang ia ki mau kpep sha kpep-bah ki briu.” <sup>133</sup>

Ha u January 1915 ruh i Bah Red i la thoh shithi biang sha-phang katei ka kam táp jaka hynrei u Deputy Commissioner u khlem da leh ei-ei. Ha ka 15 tarik u April 1915 u Jata Shilla u la ai da ka case phoidari syndon pyrshah ia ki Khasi-niam-tynrar ha kaba u la kynnoh ba ki Khasi-nylla ki la prat ia ki jingker lum-jingtep bad ba ki la ia shad mastieh ha lum-jingtep (Shad-mastieh or heathen male dance of the Khasis). Kiba u kynnoh ba ki long kiba paw khmat eh ha kane ka kam “prat-lynti” bad “shad ki shynrang-bam-tip-Blei”, ki long u Sib Charan Roy, u Chandra nath Roy bad u Nalak Sing.

Ki la pynmih sakhi da u Lolip Sing Giri, u Wilthimohon bad u Patrik ban iathuh ia ki jingjia ha lum-jingtep ha ki sngi shad naduh ka 1 tarik u April haduh ka 3 tarik u April. Hynrei u Senior Extra Assistant Commissioner uba shim ia ka case u la shem ba baroh lai ngut ki sakhi ki dei ki Kristan bad ba kat kum ka jinghikai-geit hukum ki Phajri la khang ia ki ban leit peit kai ia ki shad ki “briew-khlem-Blei”. Te ki la ia leit saitjain noh, tangba, hana, ki lah ban iohi ia kita ki jingjia halor lum-jingtep nangta na jaka saitjain. La sabut ba kata ka jingiohi jong ki na kata ka jaka ka long kaba shu thaw bad kabam lah long.

Ki la mih ruh sa kiwei kiwei ki sakhi kum u Dohory Ropmay, u Kisor Swett, bad kiwei, hynrei ka nia ka jong ki Khasi nylla ka khlain, bad u Nongbishar u la pyllait noh ia baroh ki nongshahmudui. Ki ong ba u paid Kristan u da tuid da ki phew sha iing shari namar ba ki da kwah eh ban shah kem bad shah pynshitom u Sib Charan Roy, uba u Robert Evans ki Kristan u la sin u "archenemy" jong ka niam jong ki. Tang shu tip ba rem ka case ki Kristan ki khlem da nud iaid shuh na ki surok bah - ki la ia poi sha la iing la iing da kaba phrung na ki lynti khim bad kyrpong iing ki briew. Ki Kristan ki la appeal ia ka case sha u Deputy Commissioner. U Deputy Commissioner u pynmih tang ka hukum ba baroh ki briew ki dei ban pyndonkam noh da ka lynti Municipal kaba la shna narud ka jingtep Kristan tad ba ka lynti rim kan sah noh hapoh ka lum-jingtep. <sup>134</sup>

I Bah Red bad kiwei ki la ia appeal pyrshah ka rai u Deputy Commissioner ba u Commissioner, Surma Valley and Hills District hynrei u la kyntait ia ka ha ka 2 tarik u October 1915. Ki la ia appeal sa sha u Chief Commissioner of Assam ha ka 29 tarik u February 1916, hynrei ka Office u Chief Commisioner da ka Order, Political Department, Shillong the 13th April 1916 ka la kyntait namar hana ba la ioh ia ka ynda haduh ka 13 tarik u March 1915 bad namar kata ka appeal ka la palat 3 bnai naduh katei ka rai haneng. (Sngewmat ki set bad pynslem khnang ha Office ki bor Sorkar). Ia ki Petition ba ki phah ki paidbah sha ka Government of India ha ka snem 1917 ruh, u Chief Commissioner u la shu set jubor khlem phah ("transmission to the Government of India has been withheld by the Chief Commissioner"- Assam Sectt., Political Dept. Memo. No. 5787P, Shillong, the 20th July 1917). Bad ki Kristan da ka jingiashah ka Sorkar Phareng ki la ioh pyndonkam laitluid ia ka Jingtep Jaiaw haduh kine ki sngi.

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134. a) Criminal Case No. 95 of 1915. in the Court of the Senior E.A.C. Shillong Dist.

(b) Appeal Case No. 8 of 1915.

## IX. I BAH RED BAD KA SKUL SENG KHASI

“La ia kren shaphang ban pynlong skul ha Seng haduh 4th ne 5th Class kat kum ka G. H. School Standard.” (J. P. K. Seng Khasi — 27-12-20.)

“La shah ia i Babu R. M. Roy ba in pynlong ka jing-hikai pule kot ia ki khynnah Khasi mynstep ha iing Seng Khasi. Ia ka sngi ban sdang yn sa pvn tip sha u Sekretari. Baroh ki parariew seng kin sngewbha ban phah ki khynnah ha iing baroh”<sup>135</sup>

Shaphang ka skul Seng Khasi i Bah Red i thoh kumne harum, ka jingthoh kaba pyni ia ka mynsiem ba iaineh ha i kaba la ai bor ba in iai ialeh ban pynim ia ka skul, pyrshah ki jingeh bad ki jingpynwit kiba la palat liam:

“Ki Khasi Synteng dei ki trai kane ka Ri bad naduh ka 20th nai Jymmang 1921, ki la thaw ka Skul ha iing Seng Khasi khnang ban hikai pule kot ia ki khynnah Khasi baroh.....

Kane ka skul Seng Khasi ka don ki Nonghikai kiba la kham nang ban hikai bad ka pynpule la ki kot Khasi kiba la thoh da ki Rangbah kane ka Ri jong ngi hi. Ka hikai ban ieit bad burom ia la ki long shuwa man shuwa jong ngi, ban sumar bad tyngkai la ka Riti niam la jong ban tip la i kur i kha ban don ia ka tip briew tip Blei bad ban im hok jaid hok katba dang im ha kane ka pyrthei. Ban long kiba sngewrit bad ban don ki akor ba bha ha kiei kiei baroh.

.....Ka dei tang ka skul kein kaba lah ban ialam bad hikai ia ki briew sha ki kam babha bad ba kordor tam.”<sup>136</sup>

Ha ka snem 1924, “Ki skul kiba hapoh ki Mission bad kiba iarap da ka Sorkar da ka Grant-in-aid. Kine ki don kumba laispah ne” hynrei ia ka Seng Khasi tang shi peisa ruh ka Sorkar kam lah ban ai. Ha ka snem 1925 i Bah Red i la shon ka “appeal” ba i phah kylleng ka Ri, bad shabar Ri Khasi ban kyrpad ia kiba lah ban ia bei tyngka lem na ka bynta ka skul. U Lala Lajpat Rai u la wan poi sha Shillong ha u bnai April. bad u la ia kynduh ia ki 'riew seng. Haba u la iohsngew shaphang ka jinglehshiliang jong ka Sorkar Phareng u la ai jingiarap Rs.50/-.

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135. Seng Khasi J. P. K. - 11.5.1921.

136. Ki Khuor ka “Skul Seng Khasi”, No. 1, Nai Lber 1925, p. 1

Shu kumne, da kaba shu ia kyrshan ki para 'riewseng, ki 'riew-pawkhmat bad ki Seng-bar-ri kiba ia sngew lem, ka skul ka la iaid. Ka Adamjati Sevak Sangh na Delhi ka la ai grant Rs.5/- shi bnai haduh kumba shiphew snem haduh ka snem 1949. I Bah Red i la thoh:

“Nga la ioh jingiarap na u A. V. Thakkar u ba la long u Secretary jong ka Bharatiya Adimjati Sevak Sangh, Kingsway, Delhi. U la ai Rs.5/- man u bnai ia ka Skul Seng Khasi. U la wan ban khmih ia ka Skul Seng Khasi ha Mawkharr.

Da kane ka jingiarap nga la lah ban leh bha ia ki khynnah kiba duk ha skul ban ai Mawthoh ai sleit ia ki. Nga la lah ruh ban ai ei ia ki kotpule ha ki khynnah ba duk.”<sup>137</sup>

Naduh ka snem 1841, ki Welsh Missionary ki la ioh bat kynti ia ki kam pyniaid skul, bad ki la pyndonkam ia kane ka kabu ban pynlong ia ki skul ki jaka hikai kot niam Kristan. Kumba kren u John Roberts na Nongsawlia ha Oswestry ha u bnai September 1896:

“Ki riw-khlem-blei (heathens) kim don jingsngewthuh ia u blei-ba-im bad uba sngap ia ki man ka por.....Mynta ngi don ka 1st Reader, bad ka lynnong kaba nyngkong ka hikai ia u khynnah ba u long uba pop, namar kumba phi tip, ki kmie ki kpa ki hikai da pyrshah (ia rkhe). Kane ka dei ka bynta jong kata ka lynnong: ‘Nga long uba pop, phi ruh phi long uba pop baroh long kiba pop’.....Ngi khlem pynpher ia ki skul pohia bad ki skul Robibar.....Ngi pynlong skul Robibar ym dei tang shi sngi, hynrei ha ki hynniew sngi ka taiew.”<sup>138</sup>

Katei ka jingpynlong skul ialap niam ia ki skul ha Ri Khasi ka neh da ki phew snem Ym dei tang katta, sa ka leh shiliang khmat:

“Kine harum ki long ki khmat ki jingduna bakhraw kiba ngi kaew ma ngi. — (i) Bam don Boarding Skul ha ri Khasi. (2) Ia ki tyngka bai bam Normal jong ki Sorkar la ai tang ia ki Kristan Methodist (3) Ba bun na ki nonghikai skul nongkyndong kiba ym nang tang jingkhein, hynrei kiba nang tang ban hikai ia ki kotniam ne pynspel dkhoh kot-bah, Kot

137. Roy, R.M.—Ka shithi sha ka Seng Khasi - 1.1.1961.

138. op. cit. (17).

Tikir etc., (4) Ba ki jinghikai bad ki klab ruh ki kham hikai niam eh." "Ia ki nonghikai bam long Kristan ruh ym ju ai hikai."<sup>139</sup>

"Ym don kawei ruh ka skul kaba seng bad kyrshan da ki Khasi kaba da niew da ki Sorkar pyniaid skul."<sup>140</sup>

Kane harum ka jingkynthoh jong u G. A. Small, uba long Director of Public Instruction, Assam mynshuwa:

"In the quinquennial review of the progress of Education in Assam during 1932-37 Mr. G. A. Small, Director of Public Instruction, Assam observes:—

'.....It must be recognised that the Mission have interested themselves in Education solely with the object of Christianising the Children.

... ..The Government of the past have definitely neglected the Hill areas and it is only recently that they recognised at all their responsibility in the matter. At present the general policy is for Government to take over the responsibility for education from the Mission as early as possible.....'

So Mr. Small submitted proposals for withdrawing the grant of Rs.20,000/- given to the Welsh Calvinistic Mission and utilising the money in opening Government Primary Schools in the British Portion of the Khasi and Jaintia Hills....."<sup>141</sup>

Ki Inspector kim recommend sha kiba halor ban recognise ia ka Skul Seng Khasi kum ka Primary School tang namar ba i Bah Red im treh ban pyndonkam ia ki kot niam Kristan. Ha ka snem 1940 i la shon kawei ka Circular kaba i la pynphriang kylleng ka Ri Khasi bad shabar ri. Kawei na kine ki Circular ka la leit poi ha ka kti u Mahatma Gandhi. U Mahatma Gandhi u la pynmih kane ka jingkynthoh ha ka kot khubor jong u ka "Harijan."

139. U Khasi Mynta, No. 92, Jylliew 1904, p. 3.

140. U Lurshai, Vol. XXIV, Nos. 7 & 8, July and August 1924, p. 3

141. Amrita Bazar Patrika, April 29, 1938.



## CLEAR INJUSTICE.

The Secretary of the Seng Khasi Free Morning School, Mawkhar, Shillong has sent a circular letter to those who are concerned in matters educational and has forwarded me also with a copy. I extract the following from it.

‘The British Government gave education grants to the Christian missionaries for spreading education among the people of the Khasi and Jaintia Hills District. The missionaries printed text-books for schools according to their liking and choice, viz: History of Jesus, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and so on and so forth. They translated the Bible into Khasi language and made it a text-book for schools. You will find the inspecting staff of the schools of this District consist entirely of Christians. Fortunately for the Khasis, some pure Khasi gentlemen of hallowed memory took the initiative of providing national education for the Khasi children and started the Seng Khasi Free Morning School as early as 1921, with a view to preserving Khasi national culture. They wrote books containing ideas and ideals of ancient Khasi culture and religion. Ever since its starting the school has been doing its humble service in the line of education. It is a free school and entertains children of all poorer classes. The Deputy Inspector of Schools, Khasi and Jaintia Hills, desired us to follow the curriculum prescribed by his department. I agreed to accept the curriculum provided that those books written or compiled by the missionaries should not be included in the curriculum of the Seng Khasi School. The Deputy Inspector of Schools did not recommend this School for a grant from the Government on the plea that the curriculum was not followed in the school. The books written by the late Babu Jeebon Roy, Extra Assistant Commissioner, late Radhon Singh Berry and U Sib Charan Roy are being taught in the Seng Khasi School. It is a matter of great regret that the Deputy Inspector of Schools compels this school to teach missionary books and frustrate the very object with which it was established.’

If what is stated here is true, it enforces the argument often advanced by me that Christian missionary effort has been favoured by the ruling power. But I advertise the circular not for the sake of emphasising my argument. I do so in order to ventilate the grievance of the Secretary of the school. Surely he has every right to object to teaching proselytising literature prepared by the missionaries. It should be remembered that the School has been in receipt of a grant from the Government. It is not clear why the ques-

tion of the missionary books has now cropped up. It is hoped that the school will not be deprived of the grant because of the Secretary's very reasonable objection."<sup>142</sup>

I Bah Red i la thoh:

"Nga la ioh ka Recurring grant na ka Govt. tang Rs. 20/- na ka bynta ka Skul Seng Khasi man la u bnai na ka bynta ka jingthoh ka "Harijan" ha ka 9th March 1940,"<sup>143</sup>

Imat ka Government ka la pynjaw grant tang ban shu da rapjot ia ka jingnoh shiliang bad ieit thep mynsiem jong ka ia ki missionary, ba ka la paw shabar ri Khasi.

Ki snem ki iaid bad ki skul ki dang bun dang bun. Na ka Rs. 50/— shi bnai ha ka snem 1854 ka grant Sorkar sha ki skul Kristan ka poi sha ki phew hajar shi snem, nalog ki peisa ba ki ioh wan rah na shabar ri, ban kyrshan ia ki ban pynshai ia ki "riewdum", bad ban pyllait ia ki na ka "niam duwai ksuid lyngba ka pylleng bad u syiar."

Ki skul Mission ki pynlong compulsory ia ka pule Baibl. Ka Miss H. M. Jones, ka Headmistress jong ka Welsh Mission High School, ka da ban jur ba:

"lymda pynshong nongrim ia ka jingpule kot ha ki nuksa bakhuid jong ka Niam, u soh u bamih un ym long u bashongdor."<sup>144</sup>

Ki da pynshongdor ia kita ki nuksa bakhuid jong ka Niam Kristan da kaba mang kyrpang nalog kiwei kiwei ki prize ka "Special Scripture Prize".

Ka skul Seng Khasi te ka bapli ka shu sah hi tang kum ka Primary School. Bun na ngi ngi leit ban nang pule AB bad ban spel Sneng Tymmen, nangto ngim banse ban leit pule pat sha ki skul Kristan bad ban ia spel Baibl. Katba kiwei ki skul ki ia ioh jingiarap buk buk na ka Sorkar lang bad ki bai-bam Sorkar bad Municipal, ka skul Seng Khasi pat ka shu im swai im tlot tang da i grant Rs. 20/— na ka Sorkar tad haduh ka por ba ka Ri India ka la laitluid na ka synshar Phareng.

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142. Harijan, 9th March 1940.

143. Roy, R.M.—op. cit. (135).

144. U Lurshai, Supplement, Dec. 1934.

Ka jinglailuid ka Ri India ka la long ka jingkyrkhu kaba khraw ia ka skul Seng Khasi. Ka la ioh ban hika kat kum ka jingkwah bad jingangnud i Bah Red bad ha ka dur ba iahap bad ka jingthmu jong ka Seng Khasi. Ki nongthoh kot kiba dang bat la ka niam tynrai ki la ioh ban pynrung ia ki kot jong ki kum ki Text-book. Ha ka snem 1955 i Bah Red da ka mynsiem kaba dap da ka jinghun i la aiti noh ia ka kam skul ha i Kong Sitimon Sawian. Ka skul ka la nang kiew irat. Ha ka snem 1958 ka la long M.E. School, ha ka snem 1964 ka la long High School, ha ka snem 1967 ka la long Higher Secondary School, bad ha ka snem 1973 ka la lah ban sdang sa ka College ha Mawkhaw.

Na ka bynta ki khynnah skul i Bah Red i la thoh kane

### Ka Sneng Tymmen Khasi

1. Phi tang khie thiah mynstep,  
Ka duwai U Blei wat pep;  
U Nongthaw U Nongbuh ia ngi;  
Nghuh ngon ha U sha mih sngi.
2. Mynmiet shuwa ban thiah jar,  
Duwai ha ka mynsiem jar jar;  
Ha U Bl i Nongthaw U Nongsumar,  
Nongda Nongpyllait na ki jynjar.
3. Duwai kyrpad jingkyrkhu U Blei,  
Ha U ba dap jingkyrkhu i'synei  
Mynmiet mynsngi duwai wat pep,  
Suk shitom dem duwai miet step.
4. Pan map ki jingsniew ba la leh,  
Ha ki kam ki ktien ba kum leh;  
Jingshisha long ka jingsuk ki briew,  
Ha ka jingshisha ba khlem jingsniew.
5. Hok kaba tam ha khmat U Blei,  
Ka hok kaba tam ha ka pyrthei,  
Suk tam uba hok ha ka mynsiem,  
Suk tam uba khuid ha ka jingim.
6. U Blei Nongthaw U Nongai baroh;  
Tang ha u kein ngin duwai iaroh;  
Uba isynei ia ngi kyrhai katne,  
Ha u Nongthaw jong ngi aiti alade.

Kane pat ka poem ba i thoh na ka bynta ki khynnah skul,  
shuwa ba in aiti noh ia ka kam skul ha i Kong Sitimon Sawian:

**JINGMINOT**

1. Da ka jingminot haba mut ngi poi,  
Ha ka jingminot ki kam baroh ki roi;  
Khlem da leh shitom ei ei kam lah long,  
Da minot pule kot uba stad phin long.
2. Ka jingalhia ka jingbieit ia u briew  
Ka ialam barobor sha ki kam ba sniew;  
Uba jaipdeh u long duk long shitom,  
Uba smat tipsngi u ioh Nam ioh Burom.
3. Long ba jemnud ba jai jai mynsiem,  
Wat long ba khong khong ha ka mynsiem;  
Long ba donakor ha ki kam baroh,  
Baroh ki briew ia phi kin dem iaroh.
4. Kine ki jingsneng ki don ha ngi ki Khasi,  
Ba ngi dei ban kynmaw man ka sngi;  
Ka Hok kaba tam na kiei kiei baroh,  
Haduh ba kut ruh ka jop syndon noh.

## X. KA JINGPYNWAI.

I Bah Red i la thoh bun ki Jingrwai ba rwai ha Seng Khasi. Ki jingrah jingmut jong kine ki jingrwai ki da iahap bad ki jingthmu jong ka Seng naduh ki ktien haduh ki sur — Khasi pakka, Khasi nylla. I la thoh ruh kawei ka drama, “Ka Damayanti bad u Nol”. I la lum bad la thoh ia “Ki Jingrwai ki Khynnah Skul, Seng Khasi”. Ynda i la noh ka met i la pynmih sa iwei i kot, “U Khasi Hyndai”. Ine i kot i bam da bun sla, hynrei ha ine i kot i Bah Red i la ktah ia ki tynrai ka Niam Khasi, ki riti bad dustur synshar Khasi, ki jingsneng Khasi bad i la lum ruh katto katne ki khana shaphang ki shnong, ki jaka bad ki riewhyndai ba paw nam ha ka ri.

I Bah Red i la im slem bha. I la retire na ka kam Sorkar ha ka snem 1920 bad i la khlad noh ha ka 12 tarik u Rymphang 1962. Ha ki kam sain hima i la don ryngkat bad u Chandra Singh, u Kpa jong i; bad da ka jingleh shitom jong ki haduh ban da syrtok wat la u Chandra Singh u khlem da ioh long syiem ruh, hynrei ka nia jong ki ka la ieng. Da kaba i uxor pyrshah ia ka rukom jied syiem ia u Syiem Joinmanik, ka Sorkar Phareng ka la shynrain shibun bad kam nud leh mon shuh ha ki kam kiba iadei bad ki Hima Khasi. Ki jong i Bah Red ki long tang kum ki dkhiew ha ka kjat u Ramhah, hynrei ki la lah ban khang ia ka jingthom pynkhein jutang ki Phareng.

Lyngba ka Seng Khasi, i Bah Red i la kren bad i la thoh ban kyntu bad kyrsiew ia la ki kur ki kha, ban pynneh ia la ka niam ka riti. Na ka skul Seng Khasi mynta ki la mih ki khynnah kiba ioh ka jingtip jingnang, ka jingnang jingstad, ka jingpeiphang bad ka jingshemphang, lyngba bad halor ki jingseng bad ki nongrim u longshuwa manshuwa ka jaidbynriew Khasi.

Ki Phareng lyngba ki atiar jong ki, ki Missionary, ki la pyrshang ban khlong ban khlieng ia ka jabieng pyrkhath u Khasi bad ban thynnian pat da ki pyrkhath khyllah, pyrkhath khongpong. Mynta ki pateng jong kito kiba la kylla niangkohnguh jong ki mynder shi por ki shem ialade ba ki per ha shiteng; ki la kyndit bynriew bad ki la sngewthuh ba lada ym la don ki Riew Rangbah kum ki jong i Bah Red bad kiwei kiwei ki Rangbah Seng Khasi ka “culture”, ka khrawpyrkhat bad ka jinglongkyrpang ka jaidbynriew Khasi yn ym don ba tip shuh.

U lyoh ka jingshahaiksuid ha u sepngi u mihngi u la jan kah lut ia ka Jingshai ka Ri Khasi. Bun bun kiba dang leit rieh bad

la ki kam sang, ki kam khim mynsiem, ki kam sngewhangan ei  
 bad kam sngewmeng shapoh ka pyrthei dum ki mynder shisngi,  
 hynrei u lyoh u la kynriah sharud bad ki kjat sngi ka jingshai ki  
 la thaba biang ha sahit bneng. Ka mynsiem iai neh, iai ieng-  
 skhem ha la ka niam bad ha la ki riti bad ki dustur kumba la  
 seng bad la buh u longshuwa manshuwa da ki jong i Bah Red ka  
 la wan lam ka jingkyrkhu jong U Blei, Trai Kynrad, U Nongthaw  
 U Nongbuh, U Nongsambynta Nongbuhbynta, Uba lah Uba iai,  
 U Blei Najrong Natbian, U Blei Shihajar Nguh, ha Uba ngi ngeit  
 skhem mangi ki Khasi ha la ka Niam Tynrai, ban dang sah ka  
 jaidbynriew Khasi bad ba kan dang san irat akher ka sngi.

### KA SNENG KHASI

Mynta ia Ri Khasi la kyrsiew  
 La kyntu ia la ka Ri ban kyntiew,  
 Mynta kein ka por ban thaw  
 Ia la Ri to ieng ha ban da paw.

Ka phaih ka kad kynriah war  
 Ka pihuin bishni da niad war,  
 Na lum ha them ryntih pyllun  
 Ka Ri Khasi kan suk ia hun.

Hangno mynta ia shaniah mangi  
 Khadei ha li li du ia imsngi.  
 Shu bylla kitnong khlem kynshew  
 Mynta pynthaba tang kum ki prew.

Ia rukom barim la lyndet bak  
 Ia niam barim la syngit khak,  
 Ki khun ka Ri ki leh thawnang  
 Ka Ri ngi sah ha ka jnang.

Bun la mih ki Riwstad  
 Tang khyndiat ruh ym pyngad,  
 La pyrta la kyang shu iapthai  
 Nadong hadong shu kylla iapstai.

Ki Riw nongwei ki pah ki phon  
 Kliaw ia ngi ki ban ki shon,  
 Ki kynshi kyniiw Thawlang Iawbei  
 Ki kynnoh artad ki Riw-khlem-Blei.

Ki jingsneng Khasi kiba kordor  
 Ha ngi mynta ngim khein kor,  
 Ngi niew ia ki kum ki kai  
 Naba ki nongwei kim khein sbai.

La Riwtymmen shisha duna mynta  
 La akor Khasi la wir sakma,  
 Wat lyndet ho ! ia la jingshisha  
 Ba akor Khasi long kum, siar nylla.

Ia jingstad shaphrang ngin ia wad  
 Na mihngi sepngi ngin ia twad  
 Ki niam rukom hok kin neh  
 Da kita ia la Ri ngin tbeh.

Tylli kawei ha la Seng Khasi  
 Ko khun ka Ri ia ka to imsnge,  
 Ka Ri Khasi kan sah ka nam,  
 U Blei Kynrad un kyrkhu, kynpham.

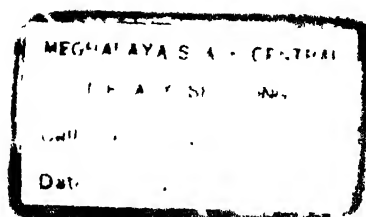
(Rash Mohon Roy).

**Khmih bha:** Lehse ngin ym lah iohi shuh ia ka rukom leit on thang  
 kunba leh haba leit thang ia ka met i Bah Red. Ka ia syriem bad ka  
 rukom hynda; haba ki thang ki ring ia kiba la iap tymmen bha. Ia  
 ka met ki rah ha ka Krong Palong, ki da put sharati, ki da siat bombula  
 bad ki da bet pisa baroh shi lynter lynti, naduh iing jong i ha Umsoh-  
 sun shaduh lum jingthan ha Jaiaw.

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